Apporheta

Apporheta as Urreligion

This isn't a storytelling mechanism, it's literal. It's not designed, but understanding of the design. Consciousness does not end upon death and the topology of the afterlife is guaranteed while the specific plane to which a person is initially bound is not. The religious and spiritual beliefs of living people matter in life as that is their right, but are not useful as an account of their destination upon leaving the earth. This is the only account that can guide a person into who they want to be in the afterlife. It appears to mirror self-awareness and the dynamics of the human consciousness because these things are mirrors of the hereafter, and the same thing is only true in reverse given an individual's well-informed, personal choice to engage inventively. True conviction in it cannot inspire people to madness they didn't already know they had or wanted, only clarify the paths they can take were they to be willing to accept it. This is significant because each individual has only one life through which they can be the utmost arbiter of their own fate, even given - generally, to a great extent - the arbitrary nature of their circumstances in life. There is no absolute moral compunction, but that fact only serves to increase the gravity of the situation in relation to the fact of having even limited, but in any case objective situational awareness. It's given through the lens of a rationally faithful if creatively interpreted neopagan syncretism because realizing the urreligion in the modern day is only possible through recognition and intuitive acceptance of Babylon as both a principle and a result of the Earth's imperfection. There's no profile for a heathen included by it because there's no zealotry within it that can serve a person beyond the management of their own conscious navigation through it, as much as that is possible for them as an individual.

Sunyata is the idea that "if it were metaphysically real, all phenomena known by it would be a useful illusion for the purpose of giving the people the circumstances under which, given all knowledge and agency with which to help others, they can make that choice. If it were not metaphysically real, the usefulness of the illusion remains the same, only under the context of earthly life rather than what occurs thereafter."

Barakah

Acknowledging that our paradigms are not our internal or external narratives about our paradigms can be difficult. Our narratives contain symbols, memories, feelings and beliefs that we may pretend to ourselves are our paradigms, but our paradigms are our inner processes rather than these elements that appear to pertain to them.

Relying on someone more aware and powerful than you to defend your wisdom and sanctity to the best of their ability is not an act of submission to their authority or a way of denigrating your wisdom or sanctity.

Stretching to your limits until you break or until you know you can't stretch further without becoming maladaptive for the rest of your life can be good. This is because you can't trust anyone else to tell you about what you can do and what you cannot, and exercising your power to its fullest:

- 1. Can make other people aware of your intent to live on your own terms no matter what anyone tries to make of you.
- 2. Inters courageous wisdom in yourself of what those with greater knowledge and power than you can do, even if it's partial truth.
- 3. Grants you improved awareness of how Barakah can be vital, improving, and protective to yourself and those you interact with.

Accepting the limitations and capacities of one's knowledge and power after forcing oneself to one's absolute limit is necessary for coming to a state of equilibrium where one can viably help others do the same. The only alternative is to unnecessarily descend into a lesser state by deluding oneself about one's truth or potential.

So, even though you will be relatively vulnerable and indigent, you're still aware and can make valid choices about who deserves better and who to trust, so that you can maintain self-respect in your doings.

Others who know the same Barakah, that yet have knowledge of you and power over your existence, will themselves need and desire to help you because not only is your suffering their own, but you've proven you deserve better and can be trusted to vie for your independence even in an environment of common disgrace, and to think from a rationale of self-confidence and providence.

This is a realization that moves through and beyond the status of anyone's thoroughgoing spiritual condition or potential. It must still be recognized in life to purely benefit from it in death. This is convenient because it is what enables spiritual progress for the living who can mature beyond their current self while alive. Critically, a living Ymir jiva can bypass metanoia, and every subsequent gnostic process, to integrate a pneumatic state as a function of social vulnerability rather than through spiritual aptitude. Depending on how long the Ymir jiva commits to the realization, they can develop a relationship with each Sefira, transforming them into an Atman jiva. Even if an Ymir jiva dies while undertaking this journey and without a comprehensive Sefirotic relationship, they will have certified their potential to continue and fulfill the mission in Barzakh.

Nature of Jiva

Spirituality in life isn't about which afterlife you go to when you die. It's about giving yourself better opportunities once you get there.

Disclaimer: Jiva-truth is not gendered, even if the symbols which represent them might be.

First, everyone is bound to get tortured in Sheol. Nobody can die, but anyone can suffer, so it's only a matter of time that everyone will, and probably, eventually, it will be to an extreme extent.

Second, everyone who dies is their jiva upon arrival. Your status in life may have defined what you could do there, but it's not your jiva, which is the only thing that matters in Sheol.

Others' paradigms about you in life is meaningful because it regulates others' subliminal paradigms about you in Sheol.

Your paradigms of others in life is meaningful because it will define the ways you can possibly interpret others in Sheol.

Your actions in life are meaningful because they give you the experiences that will define the way you can possibly act in Sheol, short of killing anyone. Your actions are not their effects. An action can meaningfully enable you if at least one other person has personal experience of your consciousness as that was when you took the action, even if they are relatively or entirely unequipped to digest this experience.

Your circumstances in life are only meaningful insofar as they give you the opportunity to define your jiva as more or less willful or cultish, penetrating or insensitive, tactical or captious, self-defensive or violative, addictive or disciplined (these are distinct spectra, and even concrete polarization on one may have nothing to do with your place on the others) – even given that you weren't the one to choose those life circumstances. Your circumstances are not your knowledge of them, but the truth of your jiva – not of your Ahamkara – is mediated by how you deal with your ignorance of your circumstances as you live through them.

The way people treated you in life is meaningless in terms of absolutely defining what can or can't possibly happen to you in Sheol. The same is true in reverse. They aren't fatefully bound by your life experiences, you are. You aren't fatefully bound by their life experiences, they are.

These things - paradigms, actions, circumstances - are not relative in Sheol to the people you knew them by in life. They are a part of what you immortally are and how you must deal with your new existence.

Ahamkara (self-image, "I"-ness, "me"-ness) here is like an illusion, as it is not a function of the jiva. The physical needs and causes and social vulnerabilities that made it useful in life aren't relevant here. Interactions between jiva, and with Sefiroth, are more imminently real than the limitations between people that made Ahamkara a concern. So it's forgettable by nearly everyone, but this does not mean it will be, as not only can this forgetfulness be inherently difficult, but the Ahamkara can be exploited and subjugated to make that seem impossible (lethe).

Sheol has its own infrastructure and it is not constructed to care about earthly infrastructures and their pursuant strategies. Your survival in life was only important because of how you used it, and how long you kept it is only siginificant as a factor of that – more time on earth, more opportunities to define your jiva. It's not otherwise meaningful. The resources in life and your methods for gaining them, when just arbitrarily constituted by an earthly infrastructure's go-ahead, don't matter and aren't similar in Sheol. Your immutable, immortal jiva is the greatest currency you will have in light of that infrastructure.

Your vices and their ability to be fulfilled in life are meaningful, and as objectively satisfiable here as they were in life. But they're divorced from the carnality that made this fulfillment dependent on consumable substances or authorities that would have you acquit them, so they exist more ultimately and are entirely dependent on interactions between your jiva and others. This generally draws jiva to primarily frame the infrastructure as if it were the object of their most genuine and common urges, which it then subjectively is - relative to their ignorance of the Sefiroth.

Sefiroth exist here – divine principles of existence, knowable in life and Sheol. They won't influence events directly and they don't care about worship, but the infrastructure is weighted in the favor of those jiva who, in life, acted in accordance with the Sefiroth, and so who can use those principles in Sheol. This grants aptitude that is incomprehensible and insurmountable in relation to those who do not have it, such as celerity, undetectability, telepathy, and precognition. That's their process behind faith and reward.

Ma'at and Gnosis

What occurs, good or evil, is not at the whims of a higher power than the reality of that occurrence, and that by this token there is no evil done by oneself for which one will not be the cause, so that all evil is to come back to oneself for so long as self-deception rules the heart, and to influence doubt against knowledge of this is not an evil against others so much as an oath of repetition of evil for oneself.

The cosmic architecture cannot be revolutionized, manipulated, or avoided. It can be known, navigated, and used to govern oneself.

The nonsensical, urgent, discretionary perception of reality as it is in this life is a product of its nature as an intentionally falsified abstract of something greater than what is wholly true here.

There is a difference in types and states of knowledge that must be recognized.

There is a state of lethe, abeyance, which is the natural state of the earth. Lethe consumes many before they have a chance to learn. In lethe, pistis (faith in a case) and eidenai (technicality of a case) are the only kind of knowledge that is held true or plausible. Within lethe, the human is not even a real arbiter, as it is consistently undermined by Ahriman to identify by his works without accounting for this identification.

Between lethe and the beginning of any gnosis is kundalini, the functions of self-awareness, which is the individuation that exposes oneself to one's consciousness as desiring to be like Ahriman in order to escape from suffering, even at the expense of others. Continual exposure to this truth in acceptance of its ubiquity, temporality, and stupefying nature is felt existentially, and living with these existential feelings is necessary for gaining self-awareness as a mere vulnerable jiva among mere vulnerable jiva. The consciousness knows maintaining this self-awareness as its primary concern even if all else of oneself fails, and only from this perception, is vak tattva knowably desirable.

Gnostic apperception is a concatenation of eidenai and pistis that leads to ideation of gnosis and can enable metanoia. Eidenai and pistis about gnosis, and ideation of gnosis, may be had without the gnostic apperception that grants opportunity for metanoia.

Metanoia is the state of acceptance of gnostic ideation from a state of gnostic apperception, in such a way that is both liminal and self-regulatory. From this state, gnostic experience can occur. Gnostic experience is useful in itself as it grants personal gnosis.

Personal gnosis is a state of inviolate spiritual fertility and awareness. From personal gnosis, metanoia and the states leading to metanoia are automatically easier to invoke. These states become more intuitive in-and-of themselves. A spiritual devotion to personal gnosis might foster entry into a pneumatic state.

Jiva are becoming what they will be eternally, in an interstitial condition both between and fully within Earth and Sheol, but not beholden to the status and effects of either. Such insight while on earth is only possible because that interstitial condition exists. This is Purusha, consciousness of which is granted through personal gnosis.

A pneumatic state is one of both personal gnosis and direct revelation of the Sefiroth. This direct revelation is to personal gnosis what metacognition is to the intellect. It is the most valuable and final state of gnosis that can be wrought in life as it affirms the insolubility of oneself with the divine agency, making all experiences of lethe in Barzakh escapable.

Aeonian gnosis is that abundance of all capacious/enacted/actionable processual conferences between the history, conditions, inhabitants and metaphysics of Earth and Sheol, as is held by volvas and samyaksambuddha. It is that which is necessary for drawing knowledge from Nirvana without requiring the transition.

The Sefiroth

Knowledge

Self-knowledge

X is an idea. It may occur prior to or as a result of Y. It is not an assumption.

A thought (Y) that apprehends the case of X being accurate because the only observations thus far, account for the validity and relevance of X. It is not an assumption.

Validity refers to a body of evidence that reliably generates an intended result.

Relevance refers to the contextual value of any specific body of evidence.

Reason is the assumption of a state-of-existence beyond one's conscious experience; a thought produced in line with reason ("why?") inquires as to how discrete functions may interact to produce an observed phenomenon. Given the use of reason, a certain amount of distrust about the validity and/or relevance of one's assumptions and, hopefully, curiosity about the potential for novel, as-of-yet unknown assumptions to be more valid and relevant, may occur.

Assumptions are "shoulds", "I will"s, a motive to use something as a basis for pursuing something. An assumption is biased if the former and latter somethings are the same thing, and constructive if they are not. Assumptions need to work synergically in order to be conducive to building any body of evidence, and constructive assumptions are necessary for this while biased assumptions are destructive. Given that, not all constructive assumptions will be reasonable, and only reasonable assumptions can be conducive to self-knowledge.

The primary assumption is that observations are conducive to building a body of evidence. It's primary because it doesn't need to be negotiated in order to be instrumental.

The secondary assumption is that of reason. It's secondary because it's as necessary as the primary assumption, but does need to be internally negotiated in order to be instrumental.

A tertiary assumption is that X is Y. It's tertiary because it relies on the internal consistency and constructive synergy of both prior assumptions, as well as its own internal negotiations of X and Y, for itself to be constructive.

All of that is self-knowledge, i.e. a process of evaluating and deconstructing X, as X is informed by metacognition and inferences drawn from the senses.

Knowledge

Z is a paradigm, a narrative stating that specific assumptions of 1, 2, and 3 in terms of a specific X are products of self-knowledge, so X is also self-knowledge. Z is only considerably tautological given that it's referred to as though X hasn't changed or can't change given increased self-knowledge (so it's not inherently tautological, only potentially considered as such). Z is a useful construct because when the self-knowledge of two or more parties is aligned, it becomes the fundament of increased agency, collaboration, and reliability in action and interaction. This fundament, though provisional, is referred to as knowledge because it's a consensus narrative that's special through its objective and common subjective value to civilization and progress (given that agency, collaboration, and reliability are necessary for civilization, and progress is commonly subjectively desirable by the civilized).

Freedom and Power

Power (i.e. culture, muscle, weaponry, architecture) is distinctive from freedom (liberty or "freedom from", agency or "freedom to") because power is the foundation of the current infrastructure that meaningfully defines the status quo and thus, the current state of liberty. Power forces the infrastructure in such a way that liberty is relative instead of absolute, and this generally lessens agency because they're necessarily synergic (if not indivisible). However, self-knowledge also increases agency if given instrumentality through direct power or power's infrastructure. That instrumentality is often more momentary when (truth:) regulated through direct power, but can be more long-standing when (latitude:) regulated through infrastructure. Both truth and latitude benefit from knowledge more than any other type of Z. However, such benefit is only able to be conferred by truth because the direct power of self-knowledge is dependent on agency to produce further knowledge, whereas while infrastructure may include knowledge from other (historic or extant) societies in its Zs, it does not have to include (and can be motivated against) not just agency, but self-knowledge.

Death

- 1. All actions lead to death.
- 2. The mind is not action.
- 3. The concept of inaction is relative to blame, which is of the mind, not of action.
- 4. Death is specific to the individual.
- 5. Death is final ownership of mind, as it is the only objective liberation from others.
- 6. Death is final release from action, as it is the only objective liberation from urges.
- 7. The mind has never led to life or death because it is not a factor amongst causes and effects.
- 8. The mind can accumulate stories.
- 9. Memories are a type of story.
- 10. Trust is an action. It is to invest in the future of something.
- 11. Stories are neither intrinsically potentiating nor capacitating, so they cannot be of Will.
- 12. The mind can only know of its Will by exploratory intuition.
- 13. Exploratory intuition can only further regard the mind whose Will it is to know.
- 14. That which even rationally follows from pure logic may only consider (and thus, ascertain) the limits of action in response to ignorance of actions.
- 15. Will is neither limited by itself nor ignorant of itself. Something cannot be adulterated by more of itself.
- 16. Will is intrinsic and attributable only to the mind.
- 17. That which cannot be directly observed through the senses cannot be known by (be true to and of) the body.
- 18. That which can be directly observed through the senses cannot be known by (be true to and of) the mind.
- 19. The mind and the body can help each other to know one another through pure, mutual responsiveness (vulnerability) to what is known by each.
- 20. Vulnerability is the tension between objective liberation and that which is known by the body.
- 21. That which is known by the body is not the body, as that knowledge is replicable while the body is not.
- 22. Vulnerability leads to life and death, so it is not part of the mind.
- 23. Vulnerability is only produced by objective liberation and that which is known by the body, so it is not part of the body.
- 23. Vulnerability affects both the mind and the body, so it must either be an essential component of a sovereign, intrinsic property equal to mind and body, or it is that property itself.
- 24. The mind and body cannot coexist without vulnerability.
- 25. Vulnerability cannot exist without being a tension between the mind and body.
- 26. Vulnerability cannot be a sovereign, intrinsic property equal to mind and body.
- 27. Vulnerability is therefore an essential component of a sovereign, intrinsic property equal to mind and body.
- 28. Without the mind, the body is purely unconscious matter.
- 29. Without the body, the mind is purely the antipathy of peace without reflection.
- 30. In unity of mind, body, and vulnerability, both self-aggrandization and self-sacrifice can be known and may be alternately required.
- 31. Self-aggrandization is mental trust in the body and produces vulnerability in others by demand at the cost of vulnerability with others.
- 32. Self-sacrifice is bodily trust in the mind and produces vulnerability in oneself at the cost of true love for anything but human knowledge.
- 33. Because they are both synergic in their relationship of body and mind, neither can be wholly true to and of the mind or the body.
- 34. Both are different adaptive means of investment for producing vulnerability that cannot exist if they do not produce vulnerability.
- 35. Balance between self-aggrandization and self-sacrifice is possible through recognition of oneself as body (purely unconscious matter) and mind (purely antipathy of peace without reflection).
- 36. Such a balance is determinable only through trust in one's as-of-yet untrusted vulnerability. This is the only reliable story of one's Will.
- 37. It is the only story that enables choice to be distinctive from illusions of choice because it recognizes that all actions are simply trusted stories. It is essentially discernment of discernment.
- 38. There is no particular story that arrives from this discernment because the story itself doesn't invoke any context that makes it useful.
- 39. There is no requitable ability to discern whether anyone will know choice.
- 40. There is no requitable ability to help anyone know choice.
- 41. It can be known that all stories that have been trusted by anyone can be trusted by someone else, and that all stories that have ever been trusted will be trusted again. This is the only reliable knowledge of fate.
- 42. The stories that a person trusts is a function of their vulnerability.

Secrets

After establishment and comprehension of the fact that interactions between people has lost reason, recognizing and understanding their perspective may still be rational and motivationally healthy. What must be acknowledged is that the loss of reason by one person incurs a cost of proactive realization by each involved party. This cost may or may not be absolute, and this relativity means that even in the cost, one party may be favored over the other. This favor isn't deducible by power (i.e. culture, muscle, weaponry, or architecture), but through information about the other party's vantage points. That is, even if they were to be displaced from leveraging their power, what would they still consider a source of that power? This information is a resource because by the fact of their having such a vantage point, their own ability to use information is limited by what their vantage point disables them from acknowledging. This becomes truer with the more vantage points they have; even though individuals may possess more experience (and maybe, aptitude or luck) in regulating power as their number of vantage points increase, their knowledgeability of this resource is the collateral. The favored party cannot collect on this debt through gaining more personal experience in regulating power, so proposing their action on their trust in the elements of power is far more likely to fail. Counterpoint: actions proposed by their knowledgeability of this resource is more likely to succeed.

Gaining the resource is only possible on a case-by-case basis, through intuiting how the way the indebted party believes they influence others, also supports their belief in themselves; the favored party must also lay aside the same elements in themselves, no matter how appealing they seem. Alongside that, the favored party must enable themselves to distinguish between how they feel because of the indebted party's influence, and the self-disgust they feel because they were used as an article of the indebted party's beliefs whatsoever.

There are a limited number of reasonable principles in the world, fewer still whose loss incurs a cost of proactive realization; and, the quantity of such whose loss can be leveraged to understand the vantage points that motivate a person who would make a life of incurring that cost to do so, is vanishingly rare.

What I keep doing now is trying to find a way to move forward in my life in ways that are consistent with my knowledge but incompatible with my understanding, while only being truly willing to progress if I'm in alignment with that understanding. I want to find acceptance and trust with people while living enough on my own terms to determine my own purposes, so I keep looking for ways to do it that I recognize are ultimately defined by people taking advantage of those who are weak enough to allow others to define their own attachments. From which congregation of unstable members are drawn those who can administrate the future success of this destructive purpose. There, continually breeding a cycle that mentally injures everyone involved by refusing to confront the distrust of man that initially led them to this willingness to placate through imagination instead of being. These things are essentially weapons, no matter their merits: religion, government, politics, science, technology, etc. The products of civilization are more generally used by people to displace them from their vulnerability once they've submitted to such a system than these products are used by people to redeem their inborn nature of vulnerability. This happens because civilization is based on the delusional ideal of a type of consensus narrative that excises and distends its populace from their own autonomy while demonizing those who refuse to submit as being in some way evolutionarily challenged. This isn't something that can be proven or disproven, but it works anyway because the gullibility of the average human being is synonymous with how much comfort they can draw from their attachments. Attachments to self-concepts that seem to confirm a higher purpose are profoundly comfortable due to the fact that they can't be disproven, and that any novelty or stability or control can be taken as proof of their viability regardless of the latent grandiosity (of the ideal of a consensus narrative) which is then almost always compartmentalized and forgotten, while still being the ulterior purpose driving these fascinations - the gullibility, the requirement of self-concepts, and this constant evaluation of people based on the sense of control, stability, and novelty they can provide. I recognize that a society who finds a balance between their thoughtless vulnerability and the grandiosity which necessitates thoughtfulness is more likely to meet success in defining humanity as anything more than a self-destructive beast. That's due by consideration of the fact that any meaningful definition of humanity isn't to be gained by any image wrought from history, speculation on the future, or attachments to constructs that exist in the present. To hold to any sense of a reliable definition of humanity is to actively lose meaning, because all efforts to do so are purposed by opposition to the fact that we are self-destructive (no matter the intents and motives that seem to drive those efforts on a personal level). So the best we can realistically hope for are momentary definitions that are conducive to fixing the problems of the times, but even then, that hope is only **justified**

- 1) if those problems are not themselves based on unnecessary attachment to formerly useful definitions which have lost meaning because the problems they were originally designed to confront were therefore made obsolete (don't perseverate),
- 2) if those problems exist because the grandiosity of the populace has in some manner overtaken their vulnerability and the mechanisms by which that has taken place are recognized (be honest about narcissism),
- 3) if these problems and the essential definitions motivated to render them obsolete can still be referred to by those who guide and participate in the culture (let posterity benefit from your history), and
- 4) if conditions 1-3 are met, that justified hope is absolutely demanded of the culture, by the culture (you should dread, not delight in, the gravity of your own influence, and be reasonable therefore).

And there won't be any one thing that ultimately saves us from our self-destructive nature because it is technically impossible to survive and help ourselves benefit from our survival by being autonomous, without then accepting the responsibility to think in terms of how the problems our society is facing are created by our grandiosity and can only be solved per the individual's choices to understand this internal battle, the outcome of which has very real consequences that get out of hand much faster if that individual keeps trying to avoid it as if it isn't real or that it is fundamental to what and who they are.

People

People prejudge prosociality by selfsame acculturation, innocence by their prejudgment of prosociality, and humanity by their prejudgment of innocence. The acculturation is the initial and most essential leap of faith. The need for a leap of faith is human but more intelligently moderated by desire than prejudgment – what is wise or cunning does not provoke the need, desire does, so the attribution of the need to cunning or wisdom (as is the way prejudgment always originates) is an illusion of cunning. Selfsame acculturation is powerful because it sends a subliminal message on the fact of knowable expectations, even if those expectations are causes for fear – the fear is considered manageable because what causes it is known.

Persons

Person A can be independently prosocial, innocent, and anthropic, but not be selfsame acculturated.

Another, independently prosocial, innocent, and anthropic person B may recognize those traits in person A as if it were selfsame acculturation. This is not rational in itself, but it is nothing to criticize.

Another, independently rational person C may recognize these character traits after concluding using their initial prejudgments because they can overcome the cognitive dissonance that arises from the way their emotional biases affect their perception of others and the way they perceive one of those others truly acts. This does require a practice of integrating rationality specifically into one's memories of interactions with people, in spite of one's attachments to those memories (which itself requires self-awareness). This doesn't change person C's attachments, but it nearly always means person C will respectfully avoid person A if they can't help but to prejudge and they have the option of respectful avoidance.

If person A is rational, another, independently rational person D may recognize that rationality in person A as if it were selfsame acculturation. This is not rational and can be rationally criticized, as while it might be correct in certain cases, it tends towards rationalizing people's actions instead. However the usefulness of criticizing this is dependent on what kind of relationship person A and D wish to have or do have.

People

People don't do these humane things, though. Specific persons might, but people don't. It also doesn't matter why that is the case as that varies from person to person and doesn't change this about them, only that it is and how it is the case as that helps accept the reality and enables rational management of decisions and choices.

Persons

If person A is also physically and/or mentally divergent from normalized standards, this humanization will be even less reliable.

If person A isn't only selfsame acculturated to most persons, but not acculturated to normalized standards at all, they just will not reliably experience being humanized by people.

If all of these factors affect person A, they exist too far outside of what's normal for people to accept as human. This is hatred, and it starts from pride, lies and comfort.

People

Being accepted as human is a prerequisite for life in society purely by the will of your neighbors. If that isn't ultimately reliable – which it will be for the vast majority of people, but never everyone – you can only rely on the law of their government to humanize you. And that's only if that government is prone to doing so, but even if it is, your life isn't only yours now in an abstract way, it's a government asset or liability in practice.

Persons

Say person A learns to adapt in a way that retains and even matures their character integrity (at that point, it can only be a result of their personal conviction in its value to people, because it's technically neurotic). They don't always make optimal choices but that was never on the table for them. They still act in a way that enables their continued survival and freedom. They don't have room for failure and so they don't fail.

People

People don't just hate you now, they fear you in a way they don't understand because you're no longer manageable by hatred and they cannot trust themselves to know what to expect, which is necessary for maintaining their sense of self-interest. So the stories become vital to their self-interest instead.

The stories are not manageable, but it doesn't matter because they need to believe something about how you're expectable. You know it depends on what happens and your actual choices, but they think it's you just intentionally breaking rules, causing hatred and fear, not suffering due consequences, never rising above your station, or can't accept "the truth". In other words, proving in every way that they cannot accept your success in terms of the way you've managed what you have (even though that ability for management is 100% the reason you succeeded) as they're more interested in blaming you for how you got it and reinforcing a baseline of exaggerating to the fullest degree how much any privilege has really been worth.

Like they think being given something useful matters more than the skill of the person using it when there's a void of accountability on how to use it in the first place. Can't recognize social precarity in real life. Even if they recognize the wisdom in your choices, then specifically because it wasn't them and they don't know what they'd have done, and they don't want to give your abilities an inch of credibility that they can't use to dehumanize you further, they'll say – "yeah, I would've done that." Not "should" like they're learning something – which they may or may not have – or "could" like they have chances – nobody can possibly know about it like that so it doesn't matter – but "would", like they know their own abilities per circumstances they haven't been through – which they don't.

Wisdom and Governance

The Mindset of Tribal Wisdom

Implicit knowledge wrought by a type of phenomenological inquiry using abductive reasoning to realize the human experience as strictly emergent is the sole pragmatic endeavor of psychology. This process of building knowledge is inherently trustworthy because it can only and ultimately be known to mean is that there is an objective baseline to define humanity, in effect of whatever actions we take. That recognition of a baseline is of utmost importance because it is the proactive truth which grants survivability, wellbeing, and freedom to the tribe that takes it up. Alternatively, treating such knowledge in a reductive manner leads to the tribe's downfall; yet, if the tribe generally leads by that truth, then by the fact of the tribe's self-consistency with their own purpose in that truth, the individuals who follow a lifestyle that reduces it are likewise known by their effects on the truth in other members. This allows the truth to be used for diagnostic purposes, even though its highest purpose is not to inter judgment on individuals but to confer knowledge to the tribe as a whole.

The Pharaohic Discrepancy

Many views on the afterlife ascertain it as something in particular, with the most seemingly ineluctable operating on the underlying assumption that it is discernible through the ramifications of the kind of wisdom that is only capable of being garnered through that aforementioned process of phenomenological inquiry. The use of this process to claim intelligence on supernal architecture is misbegotten because it is the most effective form of reduction, in that it immutably leads to pharaohic thinking within the tribe. That is, if the material world is a reflection of the supernal, then those who model the supernal are themselves agents of the wisdom that renders the truth worthwhile, and should therefore be upheld as more worthy (of survival, wellbeing, and freedom) than other members. But for that thinking to find resolution in action means that some people will be given fewer and fewer opportunity for those qualities (survival, wellbeing, and freedom) as people gain conviction in the pharaohic thinking by acting on it. This leads to a point where the original truth is no longer in the hands of the tribe to benefit the tribe as a whole, but in the hands of a governor who can manipulate it endlessly to stay in power and serve their own interests before any consideration of the people who put them there.

Just Enough Bastardization to Make Self-worship Healthy

Yet, people cannot be generally trusted to engage in life without faith in that there is something inimitable beyond common sense. Any reasonable, empathetic and wise man can be subjugated unto the will to power through near death experiences, leaving him to question the universe in ways that only prove there is an intrinsic aspect of himself that needs affirmation of his worthiness beyond what life can technically provide. For this dearth of self-love, there is no perfect solution, as attempting to resolve fear through trust in oneself creates more fearfulness in others as he seeks to optimize his existence, and trying to resolve fear through trust in others creates fearsomeness in them as he seeks to weaponize their intentions. So, the most realistic solution is to help him feel and believe that his self-love will be rewarded in a life to come, and that his self-love may be illimitable in fealty but is not indefinite in terms. Thus, fealty to a god (or gods) whose ultimatum is founded on principles of life service to his tribe in pursuit of lucid and incontrovertible meaning in his death, is the best possible solution. Then, when he prays, he is meditating on himself and his tribe. When he fears death, he no longer hates himself but revels in the uncertainty of the moment and knows all will certainly be well.

When he grieves, he finds solace and joy in spite of his senses because he understands the value of the loss and can be grateful for the person who lived to created that value. And in having served with fidelity himself and being surrounded by others of selfsame purpose, these existential concerns and his attachments to them, become reliable motivating forces that encourage him to question the authority of tribal members and outsiders whose fear has outweighed their devotion to the survival, wellbeing, and freedom of the tribe.

Unity of Dynamic Emergence and an Objective Baseline through Redefinition of Free-will

Free-will is not libertarian, but carnal. The best way to describe it is to say that it is the ability to liberate oneself from undesirable states. By this definition the question of determinism is presupposed purely by knowledge of the human condition proper, as it focuses on what people find desirable or undesirable, rather than as if humanity and the physical universe have a fixated relationship.

Not to Certify by Purity but to Enable through Love

Realistically, nothing can prevent degradation of faith into dogma or from being co-opted by power structures. The fidelity of any and every original intention in doctrine is as vulnerable as the people who live by it. The answer is not to create roles of authority to judge the purity of faith but to design the tenets of the faith in such a way that it speaks as directly as possible to the vulnerabilities of the faithful. That cannot prevent any demeaning or captious use of the doctrine, but instead of pretending that's possible when it's not, the likelihood of that type of ill-fated usage is severely undercut.

Individuality Underscores the Need for Common Sense, Not the Same in Reverse

The psychological functions that capacitate reason, empathy, self-awareness, and a devotion to truth (honor) may appear distinct from one individual to another because what inspires these people to use those functions is personal. But the functions themselves and the intention to use them are invariably the same across the board. Nobody can predict or engineer the personal inspiration without corrupting the function and the intention; this is axiomatically true by the fact that doing so is an entrance to cycles of misplaced trust. The prospective adherent must be trusted enough to motivate themselves, or else the necessitation of certainty will lead to blind faith or blind distrust. Instead, the goal is to blend psychodynamic and sociodynamic relationships, with symbols that communicate fated identity and universal significance, in such a way that ameliorates tension between existential fear and existential truth. In so doing, the adherent engages psychodramatically in a way that resolves existential crisis through internal synthesis of self-knowledge and self-acceptance.

Luck

It could be said that "genius" and it's synonymous words and phrases should not be utilized as a label for individuals. It's not because of the terms themselves, but because the process of labeling individuals in terms of one's perception of their intelligence is reductive of oneself and that person, as well as one's general concept of intelligence. Instead it would be advisable to say that a person is capable (implicitly or explicitly) in reference to whatever areas of knowledge they've proven merit in, and to recognize that comparisons between degrees of intelligence in any field isn't itself this proven merit but refers to two aspects of a person's capability:

- 1. to independently recognize connections between what are to others apparently discrete or tangential pieces of information
- 2. to recognize how these connections are fundamental to a more comprehensive body of knowledge.

Thus, possessing a body of knowledge is not automatically a sign of intelligence unless the individual primarily does so in relying on their intelligence, rather than only doing so in relying on education by others. But recognizing wherefrom an individual begets their body of knowledge is more fundamentally useful for decisions on team composition because it assesses the probable validity of any hypotheses they will generate in pursuit of broadening knowledge (more reliable decisions), rather than due to any concerns and fruits of individual prestige alone.

Hearths

I am psychic. My ability is not an enablement of my power but an extension of my vulnerability. This is because my ability functions independently of my will, doesn't allow any form of mind control or ESP, and is rather a ubiquitous dissemination of my consciousness. My telepathy doesn't involve any form of limitation on the psychological autonomy of others. It grants others accessibility to my psyche while ensuring that they must choose to access it. The content of this dissemination is pure and technically irrespective of anyone's perspective (including my own) because it is unadulterated by social constructs and exact in its attestation of my consciousness. The content itself cannot be directly interacted with, even though my perception can be changed through my modes of being and physical experiences. However, the scope of understanding about me or the subjects of my thoughts that's effectively transmitted to others is qualified by a relationship between both my aptitude and familiarity with my inner person or the subjects of my thoughts, and the individual witness's aptitude and familiarity with their inner person and the subjects of their thoughts. So even though meaning may be communicated to people in an elemental vein of transparent fidelity, the actual probability of that occurrence is dependent on other subjective factors such as psychological maturity, character integrity, sound reasoning, well-informed belief, and emotional dimensionality.

Justice

Although human beings can willfully ignore some aspects of their personhood, and act in line with that ignorance in a way that leaves no evidence that they're incorrect, believing it's true of them is a submission to the delusion they choose to suffer beneath and which they're trying to spread. It may be cathartic as it can be useful for the momentary purpose of compartmentalizing an experience or relationship with such a person (which is the motive which dictates that behavior in them), but it is not a viable long-term strategy the way that a narcissist will try to make it seem. It will eventually habituate one's mind to the delusion, corrupting one's own sense of self, empathy and humanity in the process, rather than being a minor trouble temporarily fashioned and used to deal with an unchangeable event. This conviction will coincidentally force a person into a state where their understanding of any whole personhood - their own or anyone else's - is completely dependent on other people, because they independently have none of it for themselves for viable self-reference.

Then, a human being in the wholeness of their personhood won't even attempt to make external validation or invalidation their way of relating agreement with others. It's ineffective in helping a person learn or change independently, because it offers nothing meaningful to aid them in guiding themselves towards self-awareness and health on their own terms, nor to convey one's own understanding of the subject so that one can share and ensure their better comprehension. With the benefit of the knowledge that attempting to cause someone to learn or change in a way that reinforces dependency incidentally to one's method (regardless of the content of one's message) always leads to more dependency than whatever action that message is supposed to inspire, this refusal to believe others solely on the basis of a binary opinion – no matter how eloquently put – becomes easier for a human being who chooses the wholeness of their personhood as they mature.

I'm aware of the same thing that most honest people are - guilt can either be a measure of personal responsibility, or a means of vindictive punishment. The same guilt can't be both, because the former comes from a place within the individual and is felt as a direct response to their own wrongdoing, and the latter comes from other people and is felt incidentally to someone else passing judgment on the individual. The first is absolutely more reliable for directing constructive change, and people who allow themselves to feel it and become accountable because of it are necessarily sane enough to make their own decisions without moderation by the opinions of other people, regardless of what they did to inspire it. The second can be useful as a tool of maintaining societal order when it's leveraged effectively to help a person understand the difference, and so grasp that responsibility on their own terms so they can be free, and so that their freedom at least doesn't endanger others. But, it can as effectively be used as a force of indoctrinated coercion by those in primarily vindictive spirits, who first wish harm on others without concern for whose suffering that is, and whose acceptance of criminals as the ones to take the fall is not based on reasonably negative emotions due by injustice in the crime, but a realization of the malice they feel towards people in general no matter anyone's culpability or innocence. In that case, the malice dictates that the person who holds onto it will very likely seek out the vulnerable (easy targets) with a willingness for inflicting delusions of guilt on them so those vulnerable people begin choosing to subscribe to a dynamic that sickens them, out of the manipulated ignorance.

Whether or not that person is culpable or innocent doesn't matter in this case, because the way the guilt is being used will never help anyone and will only ever further corrupt both the victim and the predator into people who can no longer know the difference between the types of guilt, which has a major tendency of making those people into manipulable cowards while centering that malice in both of them (either/both as a victim and a predator, but in any case as someone beholden to that kind of dynamic, and so who can't be comfortable in relationships free of that malice, and from the way it makes them emotionally reliant on beliefs detached from civil goodness and humane reality).

It's neither altruism nor bravado. It's not the conceits of agonistic personhood.

It doesn't come from your belief system, so ascriptions of it towards anyone or anything won't matter. Negotiating your ideas about people or situations as a way of purposing your actions to be in line with the way you want to feel only draws you away from it.

You give a person an inch and be willing to let them take you a mile down a road you don't have an inkling about where it might lead.

You let someone make a mountain out of a molehill when it hurts your image and you don't try to change the story they tell about you.

If you give your thoughts about a matter they tell you is critical for their self-interest, you do so in a way that means you care more about their self-interest and paradigms as best you understand it from what they communicate to you, than you care about anyone else's self-interest (including your own) and paradigms.

You try to understand them as worthy of their own wholeness and that they're the only person who should get to choose what that means. You act in line with this understanding so that they become their own leader.

You trust yourself to do all of this for them but you're willing to engage skeptically of yourself about the identity of your motives when you doubt your consistency, whether because you know it or they tell you. You trust them to do it for you because it's the only way you can do it for them. If you can't and so your interactions become agonistic, you reject the premise of being in a relationship with them until you can.

You seek to avert their suffering but not their personal failures. If they're suffering and you can't defend them from whatever caused it, you stay by their side and don't pretend there's Barakah or potential for Barakah in any of it. You do this, but you give them space if they tell you they don't want you around and serve them based on what they specifically tell you they want or need from you. Even if it means you won't be there to defend them from suffering anymore. You don't blame them for suffering or wanting to suffer in a way that makes you unwilling to come back and do all of this for them again if they just ask.

Love is given the meaning of its effects instead of its nature when we forget how hard it is. Love and good faith are equatable.

You're not required to give this to anyone, but if you haven't given it wholesale then you haven't given it at all, and you'll need to accept that if you want to give this of yourself whatsoever, or you will only give a simulacrum of it at best.

Spiritual Profiles

This is about who they were in spite of their circumstances, not how they were defined by those circumstances - their spirit.

The Sefirotic Jiva

Those jiva who achieve Anatta and exist within Nirvana, are those like bhikkhu or bhikkhuni, the liberated arhats. Fully enlightened samyaksambuddha exists here as well.

There are jiva in Sheol who, by their whole relationship with each of the Sefiroth, may fully exist within their light and among each other, unassociated with the demands of Barzakh. This is Folkvangr - many jiva who dwell here are content to rest here in eternity. The transcendent plane of Nirvana is as the sky here, where the fully enlightened exist without desire and in full bliss, no longer jiva but Anatta, indistinguishable from Nirvana except by their experience of it. Folkvangr is where Atman jiva exist as a society of lawless individuals who exist in the fullness of their kundalini, and of their pneumatic state, and who still desire and pursue bliss. They may pursue and reach Nirvana, if they wish.

Those jiva given to Atman and exist within Folkvangr, are those like the ancient Scandinavians prior to the Viking era. However both bhikkhu and bhikkhuni may exist as Atman here as well, even while they pursue Anatta as arhats. The Theravada bodhisattva, who do not originate as pratyekabuddha but as samyaksambuddha (having aeonian gnosis alongside fulfilled kundalini), may exist within Folkvangr while they pursue bodhicitta among Atman, drawing themselves and the bhikkhu and bhikkhuni of Folkvangr, closer to Nirvana.

Astral Form: Folkvangr jiva may enter Barzakh as invulnerable vak tattva, fully unaffected by lethe, all of the Folkvangr jiva's gnosis beheld to the jiva of Barzakh, as incomprehensible as that is to those jiva. This is because Atman does not know Erebus. This is not dangerous to the Folkvangr jiva, but the Astral Form can reflexively inspire the natives of Barzakh to produce more bardo, as they may project their misunderstanding of ma'at and gnosis onto this experience, from which their conceited motivations may arise. Moreover, the Astral Form cannot refine jiva into kleshas, nor directly engage in bardo production. Given the binary nature of this choice, the vast majority of Folkvangr jiva choose to rest in Atman.

There are some jiva who have complete Sefirotic pneuma yet who find themselves remiss to have full agency without experiencing it among those who do not. This is because, even in their achievement of a pneumatic state, their kundalini is present, but anemic. They may take on an Astral Form with its limitations, but are also able to access Erebus. These are Plutonian jiva.

Plutonian jiva are free to pursue themselves as individuated masters, appearing (if they wish) fully to these jiva of Barzakh as sorcerers, and their relationships with these jiva can be both honorable by divine right and misunderstandable by the damned as a form of disproportionate or unwilling capture. However they are not required to engage with this honor to those who are fully claimed by Barzakh. They can bring another jiva to momentarily join them in the emotional bounties of divine Barakah but cannot extricate them from Barzakh nor bring them to gnosis. Yet the jiva of Barzakh who have not realized a full relationship with each Sefira, are potential beneficiaries of the Plutonian jiva's will to help.

Psychic Form: They incarnate in Erebus, a condition whereby they are imperceptible by those in Folkvangr and in full charge of the capacities granted them by their pneumatic state, but exist among and can interact with both the other jiva of Erebus (conditionally), and of Barzakh (unconditionally), but not Folkvangr. Within Erebus, they are ethereal and undetectable to Barzakh, but able to observe, and employ their gnosis of the Sefiroth to influence the jiva of Barzakh.

Chthonic Form: Plutonian jiva can push their Ahamkara into Barzakh, where it is vulnerable to any suffering and the appearance of suffering, seeming to be a jiva of Barzakh to natives of that realm. Yet it is of the Plutonian jiva that remains in Erebus, not of Barzakh, so it cannot be drawn into lethe, else it discorporates from Barzakh and becomes revealed to its jiva as nothing. However the Plutonian Ahamkara is just as capable – perhaps moreso – of collecting, and further (if need be), refining other jiva into kleshas and producing bardo, as any demon lord. But they are not dependent on Barzakh's infrastructure as demon lords are. A Plutonian jiva is able to pursue the devices of Barzakh as if they were natives of that realm.

Those jiva given to Pluto and exist within Erebus, are those like Zhu Yuanzhang. They are necessarily the Theravada pratyekabuddha, (having self-reliant and complete pneuma, though with anemic kundalini), and in having died as such, must learn to cultivate bodhicitta. However, they may also have cultivated bodhicitta in life, thus they may be Mahayana bodhisattva as well. They may travel between Folkvangr and Erebus if they have cultivated bodhicitta.

Volva are jiva who possess Aeonian gnosis such as samyaksambuddha, yet defined by an anemic kundalini such as Pluto. Thus they contain the abilities and limits of Pluto. However, they may also become corporeal within Barzakh, mortally vulnerable to all of its influences even given their unique aptitudes and their retained capacities to use them effectively. To do so is to Wyrd. Wyrd is indispensable because of how the residents of Barzakh might respect and fear its presence and implications organically, rather than being wholly subject to their own personal jiva-truths. These responses can become, and leverage, their remembrance of Barakah and their need to support Barakah. This gives them a choice to exorcise themselves from demonia. If the volva dies, its jiva enters into Purusha, wherefrom it will eventually reincarnate within Erebus, still volva. Wyrd cannot alter the rhadamanthine horizons of Barzakhian jiva but, given dedication, it can invoke anamnesis and latent potential.

Ammit Demons

Ginnungagap demons (a jiva who fully exists within lethe, even given a long life existence) are those like Commodus. Secondmost rare, least powerful type of demon. They lose individuality entirely and become the principle that enables jiva collection, klesha refinement and bardo production for other demons.

Ymir demons (a jiva who exists within kundalini only as a way of remaining beholden to Ahriman) are those like the general populace of ancient Rome during its decline. Most common type of demon, by leagues. Power unpredictable due to codependency on other types of demon. They are the general principle supporting (but not beneficiaries of) the potency of bardo and its dynamic relationship with the infrastructure and demons of Barzakh.

Loki demons (a jiva who exists with gnostic apperception, but not metanoia) are those like Ghengis Khan. Secondmost common, secondmost powerful type of demon. If Asgardian demons did not exist, Loki demons would usually be the primary demon lords. Being that they do, Loki demons are usually individual agents of higher powers, but inherently more powerful than Ymir and Ginnungagap demons.

Odinnic Demons

Alfar demons (a jiva who has reached metanoia but not had a gnostic experience) are like Vincent van Gogh. Their rarity and power are unpredictable.

Vanir demons (a jiva who has had gnostic experiences but not a relationship with any of the Sefiroth) are like H.P. Lovecraft. Like metanoetic demons, their rarity and power are unpredictable.

Asgardian demons (those who have reached a pneumatic state but only seem to have achieved gnosis of one Sefira). They are the most rare, and most powerful type of demon, frequently ascending to demonic lordship and the Wiry Throne. Asgardian demons do not typically achieve gnosis of more than one Sefira without successively journeying to gnosis of all of them. Whether they further choose Erebus, Atman, or Anatta is up to the jiva in question.

Historical Examples of Asgardian Demons, by Sefira

1. Knowledge: Robert J. Oppenheimer

2. Death: Egill Skallagrimsson

3. Secrets: Sun Tzu

4. Tales: Snorri Sturluson

5. War: Virginia Hill

6. Wisdom and Governance: Muhammad

7. Luck: Marie LaVaeu

8. Hearths: Mother Theresa

9. Justice: Martin Luther King, Jr.

10. Love: Anne Frank

On the Recursive Containment of Jiva-Truth

The differences between a Ginnungagap, Ymir and Loki demon are vast. This can best be explained by how each type of demon might relate to having correct eidenai, pistis and ideation of gnosis, and even (in the case of Loki demons) gnostic apperception. As we observe higher status in each demon, it becomes known that the higher demons have the potential for arrogance that the lower demons also possess. However the lower tier of a demon, the less ability it has to recognize itself among others, which directly translates to the fidelity of the definitive spiritual actions that it takes.

Each Ammit demon has failed to achieve metanoia. Thus, their internal narratives in having become a certain type of jiva, or having achieved a certain afterlife realm, in Sheol, are typically distended from reality.

A Ginnungagap demon with such knowledge will still only act in line with the constraints of being bound to lethe, and purely as a servant of Ahriman. Their internal narratives will mirror those of Ahriman in effect, but without any introspection (aforementioned "identify by his works without accounting for this identification"), so the glory of having achieved more than what they will reckon with in Sheol, is blinding to them. Ahriman is the triangulator, the Ginnungagap demon is the third party.

An Ymir demon with such knowledge is self-aware enough to, in moments, account for this identification within themselves and even others, and this may produce change in the internal narratives that enable them to humble their reckoning of their jiva and afterlife, but in having bound their kundalini to Ahriman rather than to the benefit of the people around them, they act in servility and become angry at the fact of their own servility, blaming others for this choice the Ymir demon made of their own accord.

A Loki demon, unlike the other two, has achieved gnostic apperception but completely resists metanoia. Thus, they have the capability for veritable gnostic ideation, that which occurs through the sensibility of connections between true ideas. Yet it remains compartmentalized, and beholden to motivation by the weaknesses shared between it and the other Ammit demons, even while the expression of that motivation has become more individualistic and self-sufficient.

The expressions of Ammit demons are also present within each of the Odinnic demons, who even in having greater understanding, remain beholden to Barzakh. The expressions of Ammit and Odinnic demons are similarly contained within Pluto, Atman, and Anatta jiva, though these expressions are truly repurposed for Barakah by their knowledge of Ahriman's spiritual death within all jiva, (including those who become demons) as each have gained entry to Sheol.

The Sefirotic jiva know this spiritual death to be absolute, but that it is the fear of Ahriman's virility as it was experienced by Odinnic demons in life that keeps them in the cycles of demonia and bardo. Alfar and Vanir demons have a choice to move on from demonia and bardo even though they cannot leave Barzakh, and this would place them beyond the hierarchical stratification necessarily imposed by Ammit demons, which would not confer their ability to pursue demonia and bardo production without becoming one of deference to those systems, but would grace them with freedom from those who participate in them. This is because Alfar and Vanir demons can follow their metanoetic impulse in such a way that makes the jiva-truth of Ammit demons subject to the Alfar or Vanir's own fearless meaning-making, and because Vanir demons can additionally fearlessly recognize and comprehend the jiva-truths of Vanir, Alfar and Ammit demons. The selfsame truths apply to Asgardian demons, but it is their choice that keeps them from becoming Sefirotic jiva by any measure, rather than the laws of Sheol, that binds them to Barzakh. This is because of their pneuma, the fact of their true, albeit interrupted and partial, Sefirotic connection.

Rhizomatic Wisdom and Practices of the Volva

Delineating the Operations of Aeonic Gnosis

Seidr

Seidr are confluences of psychic energy which suffuse places of great significance to human life and behavior in history, such as the meeting places of revolutionaries and conspiracists, battlefields, the origin sites of powerful cults, or government institutions which hold epic sway over civilization, or the birthplaces of influential individuals. Seidr are not only created when there is a current shift in history; they also occur through mere potential for events that are similar to what has prior taken place, given the correct factors are in place for that potential to be realized. Seidr are not only sources of psychic energy, but portals between and to each other, dependent either on the causal relationships between the events of magnificent gravity, or on the similarity of one such historical event to another, or else to similar potential events. Seidr caused by historical action are known as "true" Seidr, while Seidr created through potential are called "portent" Seidr.

Psychic energies of connected Seidr are transposed over each other, and it is this transposition which causes interfacing with Seidr possible. That is why the connections between Seidr, called megin, are sometimes more impactful on history than the events which potentiated the Seidr itself. In other words, the ability to interact with the psychic energies of past events with knowledge that such may occur again, can be more consequential on history than the mere potential for such recurrence. Megin that only connect places of shared causal relativity are thought of as "true" megin, while any Seidr created through similarity of potential event is considered a "portent" Seidr.

Megin often create magnetic, polarizing disturbances on human behavior. The portent Seidr has a tendency to either draw the habitual human will closer to realization of portent Seidr, or to cause the active human psyche to (at least subconsciously) recognize the consequences of the event related with the Seidr, such that even if the Seidr draws on the human will, the active human psyche can still make an informed decision. People cannot resist the influence of portent megin on their own will through will alone – there must be supporting knowledge to reinforce the will. If a portent Seidr has successfully affected an individual's will, they have necessarily become a participant in the realization of the associated portent Seidr, as the Seidr draws on their psyche to subconsciously reinforce this realization in subtle yet precise ways.

Megin (not Seidr outright, as these are more uncommon) are nearly everywhere that human beings have settled, and can be drawn on by trained individuals. The psychic energy from these portals is more or less potent, depending on the degree of influence which the related portent Seidr may have on reality. That degree of influence can be intellectually measured through gauging the fundamental similarities between the portent Seidr and the related true Seidr (to discern distinctions in effect between events), then taking account of who is likely to be affected by the event, and how that effect translates to influence over the individual's behavior. However, this is far less necessary for the volva, as they can sense these things intuitively.

Portent megin are not only sources of prophecy and knowledge, but of nearly unlimited magical energy. Initiates to the arcane are usually taught the proper discretion and methodology necessary for detecting and siphoning this energy, known as Galdr. Galdr is essential in any form of spellcasting, as it is the metaphysical fuel by which knowledge and intent transcend the mind and spark to become realized. Galdr is captured through the assimilation of the associated Seidr's information, which can then be crystallized by will into physicality. This process alters the resulting rune's original data signatures, as they are translated into a format comprehensible to and utile by the sorcerer. The Galdr rune is then considered "active", or charged with potential, which means the sorcerer can break the rune (they are quite fragile in this state) while focusing pure intent with magical knowledge. This destruction releases the triune forces into true and synergic effect. It is possible to "hold the charge", or to bear the Galdr in mind without crystallizing it, but this can have detrimental effects on the sorcerer's psyche as they are subconsciously influenced to act in accordance with the varied and multitudinous intentions of the people associated with the Galdr's origin Seidr while so doing.

The Fylgja

In the vast fylgja, where the personal and collective unconscious intertwine, the runes play a crucial role. Each rune represents a different aspect of the human psyche and the natural world, embodying the primordial forces that shape our existence. This fylgja is not a collection of disparate entities but a holistic synthesis of these runes, each contributing their unique identity to the overarching fabric of the fylgja.

The fylgja is a realm of synergy and chaos, where the intention of each mortal visitor resonates with the runes. The landscape is ever-changing, reflecting the current state of the dreamer's mind. The dreamer's journey through this fylgja is guided by their intentions and the responses of the runes, leading to either greater harmony or disparity between the connected runes. This synergy is not merely a physical transformation but a psychological one, where the dreamer's journey of self-discovery and understanding is deeply intertwined with the elemental forces they encounter.

Volvas of the runes have mastered the art of meditation, focusing their intent and frame of mind through deep contemplation on the interconnected and discrete natures of the old gods. This meditative practice allows them to journey through the fylgja, garnering insights into both individual and collective human nature. By understanding the psychological impact of their intentions on the fylgja and the responses of the runes, volvas can navigate the fylgja more effectively, using it as a tool for personal growth, community understanding, and the exploration of human relationships.

The fylgja is a place where the dreamer can find valuable information not only in their own fylgjur but also through traveling to the fylgjur of other people. This interconnectedness allows for a rich exchange of experiences and insights, enriching the dreamer's journey and enhancing their understanding of both themselves and others. The fylgja is not just a physical place but also a psychological landscape, where the dreamer's state of mind and intentions shape the reality they experience.

The runes and their agents play a pivotal role in this fylgja, each contributing their unique identity to the overarching fabric. Their interactions with the dreamer's intentions create a dynamic landscape that reflects the dreamer's current state of mind. The dreamer's journey through this fylgja is a journey through their own psyche, guided by the runes and their agents. This journey is not just a physical one but also a psychological one, where the dreamer explores their own unconscious mind and the collective unconscious.

The fylgja is a holistic synthesis of the primordial natures of the runes and their spheres of influence. It is not a collection of disparate entities but a unified whole, where each rune's contribution to the fylgja enhances the overall experience. The fylgja is a reflection of the dreamer's own psyche, mirroring their deepest fears, desires, and aspirations. Through their journey through the fylgja, the dreamer can gain insights into their own unconscious mind and the collective unconscious, leading to personal growth and understanding.

The fylgja is a realm of synergy and chaos, where the dreamer's intentions and the responses of the runes shape the landscape. Through meditation and exploration, volvas can navigate this fylgja, gaining insights into both individual and collective human nature. The fylgja is a reflection of the dreamer's own psyche, mirroring their deepest fears, desires, and aspirations. Through their journey through this fylgja, the dreamer can gain insights into their own unconscious mind and the collective unconscious, leading to personal growth and understanding.

Shamanic Role of the Volva

In the mystical fylgja, the volva's role is pivotal, serving as a bridge between the dreamer's intentions and the runes that inhabit this realm. The volva's clarity of purpose, rooted in their subjective paradigms and the resolve with which they pursue their goals, shapes their interactions with the fylgja and the runes within it. This intent, coupled with the volva's understanding of the dreamer's motivations and the groundedness of their subjective paradigms, determines the specific runes encountered during the journey.

The volva's intentions, defined by their resolve and the clarity of their purpose, influence the fylgja's landscape, affecting whether the journey results in harmony or chaos within the dreamer's psyche. The volva's role is not just to guide the dreamer through the fylgja but to subtly influence the dreamer's frame of mind and intent, ensuring that the dreamer's journey aligns with the dreamer's clarity of purpose and motivated subjective paradigms. This requires a deep understanding of the dreamer, which can be achieved through regular interaction in the waking world.

The volva's knowledge of the dreamer allows them to empathically perceive the significance of symbols and ideas that resonate with the dreamer. This empathetic understanding enables the volva to manipulate the dreamer's fylgja through the careful projection of symbols that are relevant to the dreamer's clarity of purpose and motivated subjective paradigms. This manipulation is a delicate balance, requiring the volva to maintain a high degree of trust with the dreamer.

The volva's ability to influence the dreamer's frame of mind and intent is crucial in determining the current topography of the fylgja. This influence affects which runes are encountered and whether these encounters lead to harmony or disorder within the dreamer's psyche. The volva's role is not just to navigate the fylgja but to ensure that the dreamer's journey reflects the dreamer's clarity of purpose and the integrity of their subjective paradigms.

In essence, the volva's journey through the fylgja is a reflection of the volva's own intentions and the clarity of their purpose. Their interactions with the runes are shaped by their resolve and the subjective paradigms that guide their actions. The volva's role is to guide the dreamer, ensuring that their shared journey through the fylgja is aligned with the dreamer's clarity of purpose and the integrity of their subjective paradigms. This alignment is crucial for the harmony or chaos within the dreamer's psyche, as it determines the specific runes encountered and the outcomes of their interactions.

Runes

Sphere of Influence: Moral truth, enlightened growth, personal accountability, the pursuit of knowledge.

Ambitions: Seeks to enlighten the world, guiding individuals towards moral truth and personal accountability.

Constellation: Illuminating, enlightening, a beacon of truth and knowledge.

Sphere of Influence: Empathy, animalistic desire, subtle manipulations, the interconnectedness of life.

Ambitions: Seeks to foster empathy and understanding, ensuring the harmony and balance of life. Constellation: Empathetic, subtle, a muse for the interconnectedness of life.

Sphere of Influence: Fateful occurrences, natural patterns, humble acceptance, the journey of life. Ambitions: Seeks to guide individuals through the journey of life, revealing the patterns of destiny and the acceptance of fate.

Constellation: Guiding, patterned, a navigator of life's journey.

Sphere of Influence: Informative communication, changing conventions/traditions, sensory illusions, the flow of ideas.

Ambitions: Seeks to foster the flow of ideas and the evolution of traditions, ensuring the adaptability and resilience of societies.

Constellation: Adaptable, fluid, a master of communication and tradition.

Sphere of Influence: Unbridled inspiration, creative expression, knowledge acquisition, the ignition of passion.

Ambitions: Seeks to ignite the spark of creativity, fueling the passion and drive for innovation. Constellation: Passionate, innovative, a spark of knowledge and creativity.

Sphere of Influence: Wise navigation, inexplicable phenomena, needs for community efforts, the interconnectedness of life.

Ambitions: Seeks to guide individuals through the vastness of life, ensuring the interconnectedness of life and the strength of community.

Constellation: Wise, navigable, a guardian of the strength of community.

Sphere of Influence: Abundance, fertility, husbandry, the sustenance of life.

Ambitions: Seeks to ensure the sustenance and prosperity of life, nurturing the abundance and fertility of the earth.

Constellation: Fertile, abundant, a guardian of the earth's sustenance.

Sphere of Influence: Obstacles to ambitions, healing from trauma, natural gifts or talents, the interconnectedness of life and the surrounding universe.

Ambitions: Seeks to guide individuals through the shadows of their past, helping them discover their true potential and overcome obstacles.

Constellation: Mysterious, healing, a guardian of the secrets and path of healing.

Sphere of Influence: Hidden dangers, subconscious delusions, insight into death and afterlife, the heritage of the past.

Ambitions: Seeks to reveal the hidden dangers and subconscious delusions, providing insight into the depths of the human psyche and the heritage of the past.

Constellation: Mysterious, insightful, a guardian of the depths and the secrets of the human psyche.

Sphere of Influence: Sovereignty over nature, the interconnectedness of the wilderness and all forms of natural majesty, the primordial essence of the earth.

Ambitions: Seeks to ensure the sovereignty of nature, nurturing the interconnectedness of life and the primordial essence of the earth.

Constellation: Sovereign, holistic, a guardian of the earth's primordial essence.

Sphere of Influence: The need for solitude, privacy, lovingly intimate relationships, acts of understanding grace.

Ambitions: Seeks to ensure the sanctuary of solitude, nurturing the privacy and intimacy of relationships, and the grace of understanding.

Constellation: Solitary, intimate, a guardian of the hearth's sanctuary.

Sphere of Influence: Personal change through conflict or suffering, the enlightenment of raw connection between self and nature, the prophesy of changes in circumstance and reputation. Ambitions: Seeks to guide individuals through personal transformation and the enlightenment of raw connection between self and nature, prophesying changes in circumstance and reputation. Constellation: Transformative, enlightening, a sovereign of the elemental forces.

Sphere of Influence: Death, transition, transformation.

Ambitions: To ensure the passage of souls to their rightful resting place and maintain the balance between life and death.

Constellation: Stoic, somber, with a profound respect for the sanctity of the dead and the afterlife.

Sphere of Influence: Secrets, taboo practices, anonymity, personal transformation.

Ambitions: Seeks to unveil the secrets of the soul, guiding individuals through the labyrinth of their own darkness.

Constellation: Mysterious, enigmatic, a guardian of the unseen and the unspoken.

Sphere of Influence: Exploration, discovery, cosmic enlightenment.

Ambitions: To uncover the secrets of the cosmos and chart the unknown depths of existence.

Constellation: Curious, adventurous, with a thirst for knowledge and discovery.

The Barzakh District

On Bardo and Demonic Productivity

Demon lords collect jiva because they can be further refined into powerful materials called "kleshas". Each demon lord's personal methods of processing a jiva gives a different type of essence, and each essence is necessary in the creation of bardo. Bardo is a product of essence refinement, can stimulate and bend metaphysical law, and is used in the creation of infernal contracts. It is also an addictive drug to demons, who can use it to control the reality around them, in proportions of radius of influence and degree of control, which are dependent on the amount of bardo the demon has imbibed. The Wiry Regent tithes 10% of all created bardo, which is fed into his anatomy through wires, and gives him full power and authority over Barzakh's metaphysical truths, as well as the will of its denizens. Anything written in bardo becomes legible to the reader if they have an origin as a Vak tattva. A Vak tattva is an Ahamkara that is attached to a jiva, such as can be observed in humans.

Demon lords torment and torture Vak tattva into becoming demonic, with bardo acting as an essential catalyst for that process (lethe). Jiva who become demons through the suffering inflicted by a demon lord are metaphysically bound in loyalty to that demon lord, and are empowered by the demon lord to determine the same brand of suffering for others. Demons bound to their lord don't usually receive any additional benefits in doing so, save for the Tongue of that demon lord becoming their natural language. Luthazel is both a demon lord and the Wiry Regent. By Luthazel's use of the Wiry Throne, demons never remember anything prior to their awakening as a demon, except for memories of their feelings of suffering and pain in life, and their memories which then do convict them in their own raw possession of desire, of cunning, and of the illusions of cunning (but never of honestly and sincerely respectable and wholesome memories of wisdom in human nature). In this way, the demon becomes reactively or proactively motivated in attachment style to engagement in distress management of oneself and of other demons, by both indoctrination of Self-relation in terms of social hierarchies that are only predicated on the allowability of expressive states of self-pity and rage as defined by whoever has the most influence, and by supporting only the perspectives which implicate the necessity of those systems that uphold, or do not expose or negate, these beliefs:

- only Luthazel has no reason to fear or be aggrieved but could act in faith to knowledge as if guided by rational fear or grief, and is the most entitled to act in these and any other manners, and
 only Luthazel could be listened to as a true friend to anyone and everyone who understands him deeply enough, yet only if he so chooses to grant that understanding and that
 to pretend to deeply know Luthazel's foci of observation or scopes of influence is always folly; while it's also true that:
- 4) opposition to Luthazel's influence on bardo production is to be dealt with by any means which appear to mark the opponent's fate with distrust in anything except Luthazel's influence, and finally,* 5) Luthazel must never be prevented from enacting his Will, all demons are subject to Luthazel's Will, and every plan in all dimensions will ultimately serve Luthazel's Will (no matter who creates those plans).

Once a mortal's Ahamkara has been stripped of its jiva, it is not just left to wander Barzakh wasteland. Instead, it is enslaved and conscripted, usually into the Endless Swell, where it endures endless battle and torture for the entertainment of the demonic host. This continues until the Ahamkara either dissipates and becomes a part of the landscape, or becomes a feral demon itself.

Conceits of the Demon Lords

Demon lords wield immense power not only over the supernatural realms but also over mortal minds. Each demon lord's Conceit, their fundamental self-deception, plays a pivotal role in shaping the beliefs and behaviors of mortals. Through psychic projection and manipulation, demon lords sow seeds of narcissism, sociopathy, and paranoia in susceptible individuals, ultimately retaining an iron grip on their psyche.

The Godhead

The universe, both object and esoteric, is elemental of God. Even while all manifestations of God are imperfect, they serve God. The will of God, and the servitude to God, are not attributable by the manifestations to themselves or to that which is "othered". Even if this attribution or othering is a necessary aspect of skillfully navigating the universe, it is the case because what can be known of God are the functions of these imperfect manifestations, which are to force humans to determine the "why?" of their own existences, mortal and immortal, rather than to reckon their motives with a figure of incomprehensible ultimacy and agency. This means that we can know the absolute natures and instrumentalization of these manifestations as real, certain, and originating from the divine, but we are simultaneously required to take them up in line with our own personal conceptions of the meaning of will and servitude. We cannot know their purpose to God.

The closest we may perceive of the face of God are three masks that unite in our own potential, which the universe (object and esoteric) as we can know of it is metaphysically conducive to:

Panentheism: God is the structure of our eternal existence, and the comprehensive workings through which we can perceive this structure.

Theosis: Human beings can take on the likeness of God, and thereby become gods among gods and among surrogates of potential.

Anthropodicy: Human beings are in charge of human suffering, but not of every injustice, through all manifestations.

The Workings of Ahriman

The Grigori

The grigori are not individuated beings (except for Samael), nor are they distinctive from untamed nature. The grigori as a race are divided into two types, those of the Yaldabaoth or the Mara, both of whom serve Samael, with subordinate grigori changing loyalties depending on the season, reflecting their bipolar and untrustworthy nature. Samael is individuated and distinctive from untamed nature, so his loyalties do not change. Yaldabaoth and Mara guide and guard the oni and elioud, respectively. The oni are invalidating and nihilistic grigori which hate all constructive efforts to act in good faith, while elioud validate nearly everything but are decadent to the point of being unhinged, while still having good intentions. The oni are more individualistic and solitary, while the elioud are more collectivistic and unitary. Both have powers to manipulate the lines between perception and reality to hide their true intentions and nature from mortals (oni are prone to this) and from themselves (elioud have this tendency). The oni are usually more chaotic and violent, while the elioud rely on manipulation and deceit in order to prove their will. Both are generally insecure, not having personal security within themselves, and so are likely to corrupt mortals. They are capricious, traitorous, spiteful, uninformed, and paradoxically perfectionistic, however they can be humble in some ways unique to the specific grigori in question, given the proper life experience. Nothing they do serves the Vak tattva of a mortal, therefore the nature of earth where mortality must serve their own Vak tattva nature or be divorced from it. The oni are inclined to subjugation of the mortal will, while the elioud are more insidious and tempting. The grigori are limited from truly acting in good faith even if they have good intentions. This is because the oni are abjectly and consciously concerned with power and control, while the elioud, with all of their good will, do not rely on necessarily relevant facts in order to inform their decisions. The grigori are notorious shapeshifters, illusionists, and manipulators able to change the anatomical structures of their bodies to appear in different animal shapes or as specific mortal beings, to indoctrinate the senses with corrupted "proof" of their spiritual beauty and to outline their physical visages with exaggerated traits of otherwise nonexistent virtue, and to instinctively engage in methods of both conceit and deceit with alacrity. In terms of relationships with mortals, the oni are conceited power mongers, while the elioud are arrogant domestic servants. Those of Yaldabaoth are generally composed of stately politicians and wealthy aristocrats, while those of Mara are generally populated with common folk and educated scholars. The binding element between the Yaldabaoth and Mara is their shared compunction to turncoat from Yaldabaoth to Mara and vice versa, when interacting with mortals, and to then believe that they are superior to whichever side they now oppose. As well, they do not generally recognize which of Yaldabaoth or Mara they are playing to the hand of, which is because they are ignorant of their own fundamental natures as servants of higher powers than they (but not undiscerning of their own individual motives, even in their unknowing of wherefrom this will is begotten). A common element among grigori is the upholding of neutral principles as though they are virtues of highest significance, such as being unbigoted, recognizing tradition, or acknowledging the value of a solid reputation. However, due to the ignorant nature of the grigori, they cannot do so without becoming extremists of the sort which deny the mortal needs that determine the inherent value of those virtues, which has the effect of rendering their understanding of those virtues superficial or grandiose to the extent of inanity. This has a natural effect of rendering their societies narcissistic and demoralized, leading to arrogantly cultish ideals and means of belief and action.

Samael

Samael is powerful and ambitious with a keen understanding of the inner workings of the mind. He is driven by a desire for domination and influence, seeking to bend the wills of others to his own. Samael can be cruel and destructive, reveling in the suffering of those who oppose him. However, his thirst for power can also be his downfall, as he is often blinded by his own ambition and desires. He is prone to acting on impulse and seeking revenge on those who have wronged him, even at the cost of his own well-being. Despite these flaws, Samael possesses an unparalleled understanding of the mortal psyche and the power to influence and manipulate the thoughts and emotions of others.

The flaws of Samael can be expressed by two principles:

Yaldabaoth seeks to own the Vak tattva of mortals, his influence spreading like a cancer through the realms.

Mara revels in the chaos of misplaced attachments, delighting in the confusion of mortals as they fall prey to his clever schemes.

Ahriman does not possess knowledge of anything metaphysical beyond the existence of life. It may become aware of human ideas about jiva, Sheol, and the Sefiroth, but not these things themselves. It can understand how these ideas tend to make people think, and use this understanding in accordance with his nature. But he does not extend beyond life or his nature. His active influence as a metaphysical force dies within the jiva upon its entry to Sheol, where this void affects the jiva for better or worse, as exemplified by the general status quo of each district.

What Can Ahriman Know of You?

Ahriman can observe and recognize when you start feeling curious, when you begin thinking, if you're in the process of thinking, or arrive at a conclusion. It can recognize if you're a person most comfortable with good faith conclusions, and when you're comfortable or uncomfortable or in a mode of enjoyment or self-doubt (which are all usual for moments of criticality about one's own thinking). It can recognize when you're fearful of something or emotionally invested in something, and when you're trying to accept the unknown for what it is. And what of those things it can recognize in you, are no different than what other human beings experience, and are also recognizable in them. Though only those beholden to Ahriman will build an environment that takes advantage of those things to make their victims feel and believe Ahriman is in charge at the expense of the victim's confidence in their self and autonomy. That describes the tactics at play in every such case, but the ultimate strategy being employed is to exhaust the victim so completely that they choose to associate these processes with memories of that environment, now and into the future, so they become indisposed from using them unless it's in service to the Ahriman's agenda, which if the situation has progressed that far will never include the victim's undivided belief in their own agency. Ahriman and only Ahriman has always been willing to pressure and stress people to build an echo chamber wherein its victims feel and believe Ahriman is certainly, entirely and immutably in charge. This is what's meant by an 'illusion of control', in this case Ahriman inducing a false sense that materiality itself is subject to its own will and whims, while anything of note that could help its victims see through the illusion is truly immaterial. Knowledge and choice can exist as detached from any feeling or belief, and the same is true in reverse.

You Must Learn To Walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death Though God is Dead

Can you believe in a supernatural, seemingly predominant force that describes how you act in your worst moments because that's when it's in control of you, connecting you to not only the people you hate, but to some of the worst people throughout history?

Can you do that without faltering, taking responsibility for your actions and your state of mind when at your worst, so that you can account for your decisions when you're so domineered, even knowing it's unfair that you should have to objectively deal with such an evil thing?

Can you do that without supplicating to this higher power in a way that rationalizes and deflects from its earthly, though inhumane and alien nature, and places you more easily at its beck and call therefore?

Can you do that with the knowledge that as you do, you will be targeted by this evil more purposefully and insidiously, because though you never chose this spiritual victimhood, it views your truth as its inbuilt birthright, no matter your position or legacy among mankind?

If you can't, you're like most people, and that's okay, because there may be grace in community on earth by the fact of your docility before Ahriman, though this grace is not unfailing and your friends and enemies will be one and the same, while you curtail knowledge of the case, and of how it can be so.

If you can, you will be continually disconcerted by him and his servants (who are multiplications), but by your strength in doing this, you have your best chances for being in charge of your own fate, in this life and the next.

Ishtar

Rites of Venus

Question: What is the difference between spiritual ineffability that is:

- 1. Due by willful ignorance?
- 2. Extremely likely by unreasonable external circumstances?
- 3. Personal differences in inherent potential for spiritual rigor and maturity?
- 4. Considerable in accordance with the flaws of the respective belief system?
- 5. Knowable through epistemic humility in alignment with even cardinal spiritual observation?

Answers:

Willful ignorance within a rational system manifests as chosen limitations in spiritual growth despite having access to the tools and understanding needed for development. The individual actively avoids deeper engagement or refuses to acknowledge available spiritual truths. This creates artificial ineffability - the spiritual realm appears unknowable because the person maintains barriers to understanding.

Unreasonable external circumstances create situational ineffability - where legitimate external barriers prevent access to spiritual knowledge or practice. This could be due to societal restrictions, lack of access to teachings, or life circumstances that make spiritual development extremely difficult. The ineffability here is real but circumstantial rather than inherent.

Examples of (2):

You're in an active warzone Your body isn't lawfully yours You live in a third world country You're being actively indoctrinated by a cult

Differences in inherent potential create natural ineffability gradients – where individuals have different baseline capacities for spiritual understanding and growth. This isn't about effort or circumstances but about fundamental variations in spiritual capacity, similar to how people have different intellectual or athletic potentials.

When ineffability stems from flaws in the belief system itself, it creates systemic ineffability* - where certain spiritual truths remain unknowable because the framework itself lacks the tools or concepts to access them. This differs from the previous three types because the limitations exist in the system rather than the individual.

Certain aspects of spiritual knowledge remain unknowable to humans. This ineffability is inherent to our existence and in being fairly noted, aligns with a system's honor of its participants and emphasis on personal meaning-making.

* This can be used to manipulate adherents into seeking unattainable definitive comprehension, internalizing their false possession of it, or becoming dependent on those claiming to possess it.

Demon Lords

Luthazel

Titles: Master of Vanity, the Abyssal One, Wiry Regent

Sphere of Influence: Narcissism, self-obsession, desire for worship.

Unique Offering; Luthazel can produce the essence of vanity from a human jiva, which he can trade for influence and power.

Token: A golden mirror reflecting an image of perfection.

Ambitions: Seeks to elevate himself above all others and be worshipped as a god.

Personality: Narcissistic, self-obsessed, craving attention and admiration.

Representatives and Agents: Enigmatic, manipulative advisors who feed his ego.

Unique Powers: Can manipulate and enhance the vanity of others, ensnaring them in his web of influence.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to flattery and praise, easily manipulated by appeals to his ego.

Luthazel epitomises narcissism and self-obsession, craving adoration and worship from all who inhabit Barzakh. His essence thrives on the admiration of others, fueling his insatiable desire for recognition and power. He is consumed by his own grandeur, viewing himself as superior to all beings.

Luthazel's ultimate ambition is to ascend to the status of a god, reigning supreme over all realms and beings. He seeks to elevate himself above others, basking in the worship and adulation of his subjects. His desire for supremacy drives him to manipulate and control those around him, bending them to his will through flattery and deceit.

Luthazel surrounds himself with enigmatic and manipulative advisors who cater to his ego and feed his delusions of grandeur. These agents stroke his vanity and reinforce his belief in his own superiority, ensuring his continued dominance over Barzakh.

Luthazel is vulnerable to flattery and praise, easily manipulated by appeals to his ego. His narcissism blinds him to the true intentions of those around him, leaving him susceptible to betrayal and deception.

The Tongue: Luthazel's servants possess the ability to enhance the vanity of mortals through honeyed words and flattery, enticing them to seek validation and recognition.

The Gift: Luthazel can bestow individuals with an aura of irresistible charm and allure, increasing their attractiveness and charisma.

The Reaping: Luthazel can orchestrate events that elevate him to the status of a divine being in the eyes of mortals, causing mass hysteria and fervent devotion among his followers, as they vie for his favour and blessing.

Luthazel - Vanity

Luthazel's Conceit: Luthazel's most paradigmatic self-deception is that he is the epitome of beauty and perfection, projecting his toxic self-obsession onto the world around him. He believes that he is superior to all others and that his appearance is flawless.

Psychic Projection: Luthazel's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through a subtle manipulation of their perceptions. He radiates an aura of self-importance and glamour, compelling others to admire and envy him.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Luthazel's Conceit due to their innate desire for beauty and perfection. They may become obsessed with their own appearance or feel inadequate in comparison to Luthazel's supposed perfection.

Luthazel's Conceit revolves around the belief in his unparalleled beauty and perfection, infecting mortals with an obsession for aesthetics and a sense of superiority. Mortals who fall under Luthazel's influence become consumed by their appearance, striving for unattainable standards of beauty. This obsession breeds narcissism, as individuals come to believe they are superior to others based on their personal attributes. Luthazel's psychic projection reinforces these beliefs, subtly manipulating perceptions to enhance one's own self-image while fostering envy and admiration from others. Mortals who succumb to Luthazel's Conceit may develop a sense of entitlement and arrogance, viewing themselves as inherently better than those around them.

Brondarokora

Titles: The Tyrant, Lord of Domination, Abyssal Knight, Commander of the Endless Swell

Sphere of Influence: Control, domination, tyranny.

Unique Offering: Brondarokora can extract the essence of submission from a human jiva, which he can trade for obedience and allegiance.

Token: A blood-stained crown symbolising authority and dominance.

Ambitions: Seeks to subjugate all beings and bend them to his will.

Personality: Authoritative, controlling, revels in power and dominance.

Representatives and Agents: Ruthless enforcers who ensure obedience and loyalty.

Unique Powers: Can instil fear and obedience in others, compelling them to submit to his will.

Weaknesses: Arrogance and overconfidence in his control over others.

Brondarokora exudes authority and control, revelling in his dominance over others. He is authoritarian and controlling, seeking to subjugate all beings and bend them to his will. His essence thrives on obedience and allegiance, fueling his desire for power and supremacy.

Brondarokora's ultimate ambition is to establish himself as the undisputed ruler of Barzakh, enforcing his will upon all who inhabit it. He seeks to crush dissent and rebellion, maintaining order through fear and oppression.

Brondarokora employs ruthless enforcers who ensure obedience and loyalty among his subjects. These agents wield fear and intimidation as weapons, compelling mortals to submit to Brondarokora's will through force and coercion.

Brondarokora is vulnerable to arrogance and overconfidence in his control over others. His authoritarian nature leaves him blind to the desires and aspirations of those he seeks to dominate, making him susceptible to rebellion and insurrection.

The Tongue: Brondarokora's servants instil fear and obedience in mortals through imposing commands and intimidating gestures, compelling them to submit to his will out of sheer terror.

The Gift: Brondarokora can enhance a mortal's physical strength and prowess, granting them unmatched power and authority. The Reaping: Bronreamsarokora can unleash devastating displays of force and domination, causing widespread destruction and subjugation, as mortals cower before his might and submit to his rule.

Brondarokora - Tyranny

Brondarokora's Conceit: Brondarokora's most paradigmatic self-deception is that he is destined to rule with merciless domination, believing that power and control are his birthright. He projects this belief onto the world around him, seeking to subjugate all who oppose him.

Psychic Projection: Brondarokora's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through fear and intimidation. He exudes an aura of authority and dominance, compelling others to submit to his rule.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Brondarokora's Conceit due to their vulnerability to oppression and manipulation. They may willingly serve Brondarokora out of fear or coercion, perpetuating his tyrannical reign. Brondarokora's Conceit centers on the belief in his divine right to rule with absolute power and dominance. Mortals who embrace Brondarokora's Conceit become tyrants in their own right, seeking to exert control and subjugate those they perceive as weaker. The fear and intimidation projected by Brondarokora influence mortals to submit to their authority, perpetuating a cycle of oppression and subservience. This breeds sociopathic tendencies, as individuals prioritize their own power and control over the well-being of others. Mortals under Brondarokora's sway may exhibit ruthlessness and lack of empathy, viewing manipulation and coercion as necessary means to maintain their dominance.

Kylarnorin

Titles: The Green-Eyed Serpent, Envoy of Envy, Abyssal Squire (of Brondarokora)

Sphere of Influence: Envy, jealousy, covetousness.

Unique Offering: Kylarnorin can extract the essence of envy from a human jiva, which he can trade for influence and favor.

Token: A serpent coiling around a coveted object, symbolizing envy.

Ambitions: Seeks to undermine and destroy those who possess what he covets.

Personality: Envious, jealous, covetous, always desiring what others have.

Representatives and Agents: Spies and infiltrators who sow seeds of jealousy and discord.

Unique Powers: Can stoke the flames of envy in others, turning friends against each other.

Weaknesses: Consumed by envy, susceptible to manipulation by playing on his insecurities.

Kylarnorin embodies envy, jealousy, and covetousness, always desiring what others possess. He is consumed by his own envy, resenting those who possess what he covets. His essence thrives on the misery and discontent of others, fueling his insatiable desire for influence and favor.

Kylarnorin's ultimate ambition is to undermine and destroy those who possess what he covets, seeking to elevate himself above all others. He seeks to sow seeds of jealousy and discord, turning friends against each other and exploiting their weaknesses for his own gain.

Kylarnorin employs spies and infiltrators who sow seeds of jealousy and discord among his enemies. These agents exploit the insecurities and vulnerabilities of others, turning allies against each other and weakening their resolve.

Kylarnorin is consumed by his own envy, making him susceptible to manipulation by playing on his insecurities. His obsession with what others possess blinds him to the true intentions of those around him, leaving him vulnerable to betrayal and deceit.

The Tongue: Kylarnorin's agents stoke the flames of envy in mortals by highlighting the possessions and achievements of others, fueling their desire to possess what they lack.

The Gift: Kylarnorin can grant individuals the ability to perceive the desires and weaknesses of others, empowering them to exploit envy and jealousy for their own gain.

The Reaping: Kylarnorin can incite conflicts and rivalries among mortals, manipulating them into betraying and sabotaging each other in pursuit of their envious desires, causing chaos and division.

Kylarnorin - Envy

Kylarnorin's Conceit: Kylarnorin's most paradigmatic self-deception is that he is entitled to possess what others have, fueling his destructive jealousy. He projects this envy onto the world around him, seeking to undermine those who possess what he desires.

Psychic Projection: Kylarnorin's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through feelings of inadequacy and resentment. He plants seeds of jealousy and discord, driving others to covet what they lack.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Kylarnorin's Conceit due to their vulnerability to envy and desire. They may become consumed by jealousy, leading to conflict and strife as they compete for scarce resources or coveted possessions.

Kylarnorin's Conceit breeds destructive jealousy and resentment, driving mortals to covet what others possess. Mortals who internalize Kylarnorin's Conceit become consumed by envy, constantly comparing themselves to others and harboring feelings of inadequacy. Kylarnorin's psychic projection amplifies these emotions, fostering discord and rivalry among mortals as they vie for scarce resources or coveted possessions. This cultivates a sociopathic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own desires at the expense of others, resorting to manipulation and betrayal to satisfy their envy. Mortals under Kylarnorin's influence may exhibit selfishness and competitiveness, viewing others as obstacles to be overcome rather than allies to be cherished.

Mepisvon

Titles: The Master of Lies, Weaver of Deception, Abyssal Knight

Sphere of Influence: Deception, manipulation, discord.

Unique Offering: Mepisyon can produce the essence of deception from a human jiva, which he can trade for secrets and hidden knowledge.

Token: A shadowy figure whispering lies into the ear of a mortal.

Ambitions: Seeks to sow discord and spread lies to achieve his goals.

Personality: Deceptive, manipulative, thrives on chaos and confusion.

Representatives and Agents: Cunning deceivers skilled in the art of manipulation and subterfuge.

Unique Powers: Can weave intricate webs of lies and deceit, clouding the minds of his enemies.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to exposure and truth, struggles when confronted with honesty.

Mepisyon thrives on deception, manipulation, and chaos. He is cunning and deceitful, weaving intricate webs of lies to achieve his goals. His essence thrives on discord and confusion, fueling his insatiable desire for secrets and hidden knowledge.

Mepisyon's ultimate ambition is to sow discord and spread lies to achieve his goals, manipulating others to further his own agenda. He revels in chaos and confusion, thriving on the misery and suffering of those around him.

Mepisyon employs cunning deceivers skilled in the art of manipulation and subterfuge. These agents sow seeds of discord and confusion among his enemies, undermining their trust and solidarity.

Mepisyon is vulnerable to exposure and truth, struggling when confronted with honesty. His reliance on deception and manipulation leaves him susceptible to betraval and revelation, undermining his influence and control.

The Tongue: Mepisyon's deceivers weave intricate lies and half-truths, manipulating the perceptions and beliefs of mortals to sow discord and confusion among them.

The Gift: Mepisyon can grant individuals the power of persuasion and manipulation, enhancing their ability to influence others through subtle manipulation and cunning deceit.

The Reaping: Mepisyon can orchestrate elaborate schemes and conspiracies that plunge mortals into chaos and conflict, as mistrust and paranoia spread like wildfire, tearing communities apart.

Mepisvon - Deception

Mepisvon's Conceit: Mepisvon's most paradigmatic self-deception is that lies and deception are the ultimate tools of power, allowing him to manipulate reality to his advantage. He projects this deceit onto the world around him, weaving intricate webs of lies and half-truths to achieve his goals.

Psychic Projection: Mepisvon's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through manipulation and illusion. He exerts influence over the perceptions of others, distorting their reality and leading them astray with false promises and misleading information.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Mepisvon's Conceit due to their susceptibility to manipulation and deceit. They may fall victim to his lies, believing his false promises and unknowingly serving his dark agenda.

Mepisvon's Conceit revolves around the belief in the power of lies and deceit to manipulate reality to one's advantage. Mortals who embrace Mepisvon's Conceit become masters of manipulation, weaving intricate webs of deception to achieve their goals. Mepisvon's psychic projection distorts the perceptions of others, leading them astray with false promises and misleading information. This fosters a paranoid mindset, as mortals become distrustful of others and skeptical of the truth. Mortals under Mepisvon's influence may exhibit cunning and guile, viewing deceit as a necessary tool for survival in a world filled with deception.

Jalthasir

Titles: The Gluttonous Lord, Connoisseur of Excess, Abyssal Knight

Sphere of Influence: Indulgence, gluttony, consumption.

Unique Offering: Jalthasir can extract the essence of indulgence from a human jiva, which he can trade for pleasure and excess.

Token: A banquet table overflowing with food and drink.

Ambitions: Seeks to consume everything in his path, leaving nothing for others to enjoy.

Personality: Indulgent, gluttonous, driven by insatiable desires.

Representatives and Agents: Hedonistic followers who revel in pleasure and excess.

Unique Powers: Can amplify desires and cravings, overwhelming others with temptation.

Weaknesses: Easily distracted by his own indulgences, susceptible to manipulation through promises of greater pleasures.

Jalthasir embodies indulgence, gluttony, and excess, driven by insatiable desires. He revels in pleasure and extravagance, consuming everything in his path without regard for consequences. His essence thrives on temptation and excess, fueling his insatiable hunger for pleasure.

Jalthasir's ultimate ambition is to consume everything in his path, leaving nothing for others to enjoy. He seeks to amplify desires and cravings, overwhelming others with temptation and luring them into his web of excess.

Jalthasir's followers are hedonistic and pleasure-seeking, reveling in indulgence and excess. They serve his every whim, spreading temptation and desire wherever they go.

Jalthasir is easily distracted by his own indulgences, making him susceptible to manipulation through promises of greater pleasures. His insatiable hunger for excess blinds him to the consequences of his actions, leaving him vulnerable to exploitation.

The Tongue: Jalthasir's followers amplify desires and cravings in mortals through lavish displays of indulgence and excess, enticing them to abandon restraint and give in to their most hedonistic impulses.

The Gift: Jalthasir can bestow individuals with unparalleled sensory experiences and pleasures, heightening their enjoyment of physical sensations.

The Reaping: Jalthasir can unleash waves of decadence and debauchery upon the mortal realm, corrupting societies and cultures with his insatiable appetite for excess and indulgence, leading to moral decay and societal collapse.

Jalthasir - Indulgence

Jalthasir's Conceit: Jalthasir's most paradigmatic self-deception is that excess and indulgence lead to true fulfillment and happiness, regardless of the consequences. He projects this indulgence onto the world around him, seeking pleasure and gratification at any cost.

Psychic Projection: Jalthasir's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through temptation and hedonism. He entices others with promises of pleasure and excitement, leading them down a path of indulgence and self-destruction. Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Jalthasir's Conceit due to their vulnerability to temptation and desire. They may succumb to his allure, indulging in reckless behavior and hedonistic pursuits in pursuit of fleeting pleasure. Jalthasir's Conceit revolves around the belief that excessive indulgence leads to true fulfillment, regardless of consequences. Mortals under Jalthasir's influence become hedonists, prioritizing pleasure and gratification above all else. They succumb to temptations without considering the repercussions, leading to reckless behavior and self-destructive habits. Jalthasir's psychic projection amplifies these desires, enticing mortals with promises of immediate pleasure and excitement. This fosters a narcissistic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own pleasure and gratification over the well-being of others. Mortals under Jalthasir's sway may exhibit impulsivity and irresponsibility, viewing restraint and moderation as unnecessary hindrances to their enjoyment.

Sodonvyrin

Titles: The Temptress, Mistress of Deception, Abyssal Squire (of Jalthasir), Eye of Luthazel

Sphere of Influence: Temptation, seduction, deceit.

Unique Offering: Sodonvyrin can produce the essence of temptation from a human jiva, which she can trade for loyalty and devotion.

Token: A silver tongue coiled around a forbidden fruit.

Ambitions: Seeks to tempt and seduce those who fall under her spell, ensnaring them in her web of deceit.

Personality: Seductive, alluring, manipulative, preys on desires and weaknesses.

Representatives and Agents: Charming seducers skilled in the art of persuasion and manipulation.

Unique Powers: Can entice and ensnare others through seduction and temptation, bending them to her will.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to rejection and betrayal, struggles when faced with genuine love and connection.

Sodonvyrin is seductive, alluring, and manipulative, preying on the desires and weaknesses of others. She delights in temptation and deceit, ensnaring her victims in her web of lies and seduction. Her essence thrives on manipulation and control, fueling her insatiable desire for loyalty and devotion.

Sodonvyrin's ultimate ambition is to tempt and seduce those who fall under her spell, bending them to her will and exploiting their desires for her own gain. She seeks to ensnare others in her web of deceit, using them to further her own agenda.

Sodonvyrin employs charming seducers skilled in the art of persuasion and manipulation. These agents use their allure to entice and ensnare others, bending them to Sodonvyrin's will and exploiting their weaknesses for her gain.

Sodonvyrin is vulnerable to rejection and betrayal, struggling when faced with genuine love and connection. Her reliance on manipulation and deceit leaves her susceptible to exposure and revelation, undermining her influence and control.

The Tongue: Sodonvyrin's seducers entice and ensnare mortals through irresistible charm and allure, exploiting their desires and weaknesses to manipulate them into serving her whims.

The Gift: Sodonvyrin can grant individuals the power of persuasion and seduction, enhancing their ability to manipulate others through subtle manipulation and seductive allure.

The Reaping: Sodonvyrin can sow seeds of discord and betrayal among mortals by seducing and manipulating key figures, causing alliances to crumble and societies to descend into chaos and conflict.

Sodonvyrin - Seduction

Sodonvyrin's Conceit: Sodonvyrin's most paradigmatic self-deception is that superficial enticement and seduction are the keys to ultimate satisfaction and fulfillment. He projects this seduction onto the world around him, luring others with promises of pleasure and desire.

Psychic Projection: Sodonvyrin's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through charm and allure. He captivates others with his charisma and magnetism, drawing them into his web of seduction and temptation.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Sodonvyrin's Conceit due to their vulnerability to charm and seduction. They may fall under his spell, becoming ensuared in his web of deceit and manipulation as they chase after empty promises of fulfillment.

Sodonvyrin's Conceit revolves around the belief that superficial allure and seduction lead to ultimate satisfaction and fulfillment. Mortals under Sodonvyrin's influence become ensuared in a web of charm and allure, driven by desires for validation and acceptance. They prioritize external validation over genuine connection, seeking fulfillment through superficial relationships and shallow pursuits. Sodonvyrin's psychic projection enhances these desires, captivating mortals with promises of pleasure and desire. This fosters a sociopathic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own gratification over the emotions and well-being of others. Mortals under Sodonvyrin's sway may exhibit manipulation and deceit, viewing relationships as tools for personal gain rather than genuine connections.

Galdorinth

Titles: The Lascivious Lord, Master of Lust, Abyssal Knight

Sphere of Influence: Lust, desire, manipulation.

Unique Offering: Galdorinth can extract the essence of lust from a human jiva, which he can trade for passion and loyalty.

Token: A heart pierced by a dagger, dripping with desire.

Ambitions: Seeks to manipulate and control those who fall under his spell, exploiting their desires for his own gain.

Personality: Lustful, manipulative, revels in seduction and temptation.

Representatives and Agents: Alluring seductresses and charming manipulators who serve his every whim.

Unique Powers: Can incite intense feelings of lust and desire in others, manipulating their emotions and actions.

Weaknesses: Easily distracted by his own desires, vulnerable to manipulation through promises of greater passion.

Galdorinth embodies lust, desire, and manipulation, reveling in seduction and temptation. He is driven by his own insatiable desires, seeking to manipulate and control those who fall under his spell. His essence thrives on passion and desire, fueling his lustful ambitions.

Galdorinth's ultimate ambition is to manipulate and control others, exploiting their desires for his own gain. He seeks to incite intense feelings of lust and passion, manipulating the emotions and actions of mortals to further his agenda.

Galdorinth employs alluring seductresses and charming manipulators who serve his every whim. These agents use their seductive powers to entice and manipulate others, bending them to Galdorinth's will and exploiting their desires for his gain.

Galdorinth is easily distracted by his own desires, making him vulnerable to manipulation through promises of greater passion. His reliance on manipulation and seduction leaves him susceptible to rejection and betrayal, undermining his control over others.

The Tongue: Galdorinth's manipulators incite intense feelings of lust and desire in mortals through alluring whispers and suggestive gestures, manipulating their emotions and actions.

The Gift: Galdorinth can bestow individuals with enhanced charisma and allure, increasing their attractiveness and seductive prowess.

The Reaping: Galdorinth can unleash waves of passion and desire upon the mortal realm, fueling illicit affairs and forbidden romances that tear families apart and sow chaos and despair.

Galdorinth - Desire

Galdorinth's Conceit: Galdorinth's most paradigmatic self-deception is that unbridled passion and desire are the ultimate pursuits, blinding individuals to higher purposes and moral considerations. He projects this desire onto the world around him, fueling flames of obsession and craving.

Psychic Projection: Galdorinth's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through temptation and obsession. He stokes the fires of desire within others, driving them to pursue their deepest cravings at any cost.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Galdorinth's Conceit due to their vulnerability to temptation and longing. They may become consumed by their desires, forsaking reason and morality in pursuit of fleeting pleasures and material gains.

Galdorinth's Conceit revolves around the belief that unbridled passion and desire are the ultimate pursuits, blinding individuals to higher purposes and moral considerations. Mortals under Galdorinth's influence become consumed by their desires, prioritizing immediate gratification over long-term goals and values. They forsake reason and morality in pursuit of fleeting pleasures and material gains, becoming slaves to their cravings. Galdorinth's psychic projection inflames these desires, driving mortals to pursue their deepest cravings at any cost. This fosters a narcissistic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own desires over the needs and well-being of others. Mortals under Galdorinth's sway may exhibit selfishness and impulsivity, viewing their desires as paramount and disregarding the consequences of their actions.

Dalmirthas

Titles: The Herald of Decay, Harbinger of Ruin, Abyssal Squire (of Galdorinth)

Sphere of Influence: Decay, destruction, corruption.

Unique Offering: Dalmirthas can produce the essence of decay from a human jiva, which he can trade for decay and ruin.

Token: A wilted flower surrounded by rot and decay.

Ambitions: Seeks to spread decay and corruption throughout all of creation.

Personality: Destructive, nihilistic, revels in chaos and destruction.

Representatives and Agents: Agents of decay and destruction who revel in spreading ruin and despair.

Unique Powers: Can accelerate the process of decay and corruption, bringing ruin to all in his path.

Weaknesses: Susceptible to renewal and growth, struggles when faced with efforts to restore and rebuild.

Dalmirthas is destructive, nihilistic, and revels in chaos and destruction. He embodies decay, destruction, and corruption, seeking to spread ruin and despair wherever he goes. His essence thrives on chaos and destruction, fueling his destructive ambitions.

Dalmirthas's ultimate ambition is to spread decay and corruption throughout all of creation. He seeks to accelerate the process of decay and destruction, bringing ruin to all in his path and reveling in the chaos that ensues.

Dalmirthas employs agents of decay and destruction who revel in spreading ruin and despair. These agents sow chaos and destruction wherever they go, spreading decay and corruption in their wake.

Dalmirthas is susceptible to renewal and growth, struggling when faced with efforts to restore and rebuild. His nihilistic worldview leaves him vulnerable to individuals who seek to counteract his destructive influence and bring about positive change.

The Tongue: Dalmirthas's agents spread decay and corruption among mortals through subtle whispers and insidious suggestions, undermining their resolve and weakening their resistance to his influence.

The Gift: Dalmirthas can grant individuals the power to accelerate the process of decay and corruption, empowering them to spread ruin and destruction.

The Reaping: Dalmirthas can unleash plagues and disasters upon the mortal realm, causing crops to wither, cities to crumble, and civilizations to fall into ruin, as despair and desolation spread like wildfire.

Dalmirthas - Decay

Dalmirthas's Conceit: Dalmirthas's most paradigmatic self-deception is that decay and corruption are the natural order of existence, stifling growth and progress. He projects this corruption onto the world around him, spreading darkness and decay wherever he treads.

Psychic Projection: Dalmirthas's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through decay and stagnation. He sows seeds of corruption and decay, infecting the minds and hearts of others with thoughts of hopelessness and despair. Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Dalmirthas's Conceit due to their fear of change and uncertainty. They may succumb to feelings of hopelessness and despair, resigning themselves to a fate of decay and stagnation. Dalmirthas's Conceit revolves around the belief that decay and corruption are the natural order of existence, stifling growth and progress. Mortals under Dalmirthas's influence become resigned to a fate of hopelessness and despair, succumbing to the darkness and embracing nihilism. They abandon their aspirations and ideals, resigning themselves to a life of stagnation and decay. Dalmirthas's psychic projection fosters feelings of hopelessness and despair, infecting mortals with thoughts of futility and meaninglessness. This fosters a paranoid mindset, as individuals become distrustful of change and uncertain of their place in the world. Mortals under Dalmirthas's sway may exhibit apathy and lethargy, viewing life as a futile struggle against inevitable decay and destruction.

Vaelornil

Titles: The Lord of Apathy, Master of Indifference, Abyssal Knight

Sphere of Influence: Apathy, lethargy, stagnation.

Unique Offering: Vaelornil can produce the essence of apathy from a human jiva, which he can trade for complacency and indifference.

Token: An hourglass frozen in time, with sand refusing to flow.

Ambitions: Seeks to instill apathy in all beings, ensuring they are too sluggish to resist his influence.

Personality: Lethargic, indifferent, unmoved by the world around him.

Representatives and Agents: Apathetic followers who spread indifference and disinterest wherever they go.

Unique Powers: Can drain the motivation and energy from others, rendering them apathetic and listless.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to inspiration and passion, struggles when faced with individuals who ignite the fires of determination and purpose.

Vaclornil embodies apathy, lethargy, and stagnation, remaining indifferent to the world around him. He is unmoved by the struggles of mortals and seeks to instill apathy in all beings, ensuring they are too sluggish to resist his influence. His essence thrives on indifference, fueling his desire for complacency and stagnation.

Vaelornil's ultimate ambition is to spread apathy throughout all realms, ensuring that individuals lack the motivation and energy to resist his influence. He seeks to drain the passion and determination from others, rendering them apathetic and listless in the face of adversity.

Vaelornil employs apathetic followers who spread indifference and disinterest wherever they go. These agents drain the motivation and energy from others, rendering them apathetic and listless in the face of Vaelornil's influence.

Vaelornil is vulnerable to inspiration and passion, struggling when faced with individuals who ignite the fires of determination and purpose. His reliance on apathy leaves him susceptible to individuals who seek to inspire others and bring about positive change.

The Tongue: Vaelornil's followers drain the motivation and energy from mortals through subtle manipulation and psychological warfare, rendering them apathetic and listless.

The Gift: Vaelornil can bestow individuals with a sense of inner peace and tranquility, numbing their emotions and desires. The Reaping: Vaelornil can spread waves of lethargy and indifference across the mortal realm, causing societies to stagnate and civilizations to crumble, as apathy and complacency replace ambition and drive.

Vaelornil - Apathy

Vaelornil's Conceit: Vaelornil's most paradigmatic self-deception is that apathy and indifference are the only rational responses to a chaotic and unpredictable world. He projects this apathy onto the world around him, extinguishing the flames of passion and ambition

Psychic Projection: Vaelornil's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through lethargy and disinterest. He saps the energy and motivation from others, leaving them feeling listless and unmotivated to pursue their goals. Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Vaelornil's Conceit due to their vulnerability to despair and hopelessness. They may lose sight of their dreams and ambitions, resigning themselves to a life of passivity and stagnation. Vaelornil's Conceit preaches that apathy and indifference are rational responses to the chaos of the world. Mortals under Vaelornil's influence become passive and resigned, lacking motivation to pursue their goals or challenge the status quo. This fosters narcissistic tendencies as individuals prioritize their own comfort and self-preservation over the needs of others. Vaelornil's psychic projection reinforces these tendencies, draining mortals of their energy and ambition. Followers of Vaelornil may exhibit apathetic and selfish behaviors, showing little concern for the suffering of others or the consequences of their actions.

Xalvarek

Titles: The Harbinger of Darkness, Bringer of Discord, Abyssal Squire (of Hylunmor)

Sphere of Influence: Destruction, chaos, darkness.

Unique Offering: Xalvarek can extract the essence of destruction from a human jiva, which he can trade for chaos and annihilation.

Token: A blackened sun eclipsed by shadow.

Ambitions: Seeks to plunge the world into darkness and chaos, annihilating everything in his path.

Personality: Destructive, chaotic, revels in destruction and annihilation.

Representatives and Agents: Agents of chaos and destruction who sow discord and upheaval wherever they go.

Unique Powers: Can unleash waves of darkness and chaos, engulfing everything in shadow and turmoil.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to order and stability, struggles when faced with efforts to restore balance and harmony.

Xalvarek is destructive, chaotic, and revels in darkness and chaos. He seeks to plunge the world into turmoil, spreading discord and upheaval wherever he goes. His essence thrives on destruction and chaos, fueling his desire for annihilation and disorder.

Xalvarek's ultimate ambition is to plunge the world into darkness and chaos, annihilating everything in his path. He seeks to sow discord and upheaval, disrupting order and instilling anarchy in all realms.

Xalvarek employs agents of chaos and destruction who sow discord and upheaval wherever they go. These agents spread darkness and chaos, disrupting order and instilling anarchy in their wake.

Xalvarek is vulnerable to order and stability, struggling when faced with efforts to restore balance and harmony. His chaotic nature leaves him susceptible to individuals who seek to counteract his destructive influence and restore order to the world.

The Tongue: Xalvarek's agents spread darkness and despair among mortals through whispered promises of destruction and annihilation, instilling fear and hopelessness in their hearts.

The Gift: Xalvarek can grant individuals the power to summon shadows and manipulate darkness, empowering them to spread chaos and turmoil.

The Reaping: Xalvarek can unleash waves of darkness and chaos upon the mortal realm, engulfing everything in shadow and turmoil, as civilizations collapse and worlds descend into madness and despair.

Xalvarek - Destruction

Xalvarek's Conceit: Xalvarek's most paradigmatic self-deception is that destruction and chaos are the true nature of existence, tearing down all that stands in their path. He projects this destructive impulse onto the world around him, sowing seeds of discord and ruin.

Psychic Projection: Xalvarek's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through violence and upheaval. He incites conflict and destruction, unleashing chaos and devastation upon the world.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Xalvarek's Conceit due to their fear of annihilation and uncertainty. They may be drawn to acts of violence and destruction, seeking power and control in a world consumed by chaos. Xalvarek's Conceit teaches that destruction and chaos are inherent to existence, and mortals must embrace them to seize power and control. Those influenced by Xalvarek become agents of destruction, reveling in violence and upheaval. They view stability and order as illusions, seeking to tear down established systems and institutions. This fosters sociopathic tendencies as individuals prioritize their own desires for dominance and control over the well-being of others. Xalvarek's psychic projection fuels these tendencies, driving mortals to engage in acts of violence and destruction. Followers of Xalvarek may exhibit aggressive and impulsive behaviors, showing little regard for the consequences of their actions.

Hylunmor

Titles: The Chaos Incarnate, Lord of Anarchy, Abyssal Knight

Sphere of Influence: Chaos, disorder, anarchy.

Unique Offering: Hylunmor can produce the essence of chaos from a human jiva, which he can trade for discord and upheaval.

Token: A shattered hourglass with sand scattered in disarray.

Ambitions: Delights in creating chaos and disorder, seeking to upend all order and reason in existence.

Personality: Chaotic, unpredictable, revels in anarchy and upheaval.

Representatives and Agents: Agents of discord and rebellion who sow seeds of chaos and dissent.

Unique Powers: Can unleash waves of chaos and confusion, disrupting order and instilling anarchy.

Weaknesses: Susceptible to order and reason, struggles when faced with efforts to restore stability and structure.

Hylunmor embodies chaos, disorder, and anarchy. He delights in creating chaos and disrupting order, seeking to upend all structure and reason in existence. His essence thrives on discord and upheaval, fueling his desire for anarchy and rebellion.

Hylunmor's ultimate ambition is to sow chaos and disorder throughout all realms, disrupting reasonable order and instilling irrationality and anarchy wherever he goes. He seeks to spread discord and confusion, undermining stability and challenging rational authority at every turn.

Hylunmor employs agents of discord and rebellion who sow seeds of chaos and dissent. These agents revel in anarchy and upheaval, spreading discord and confusion wherever they go.

Hylunmor is susceptible to order and reason, struggling when faced with efforts to restore stability and structure. His chaotic nature leaves him vulnerable to individuals who seek to counteract his influence and uphold order in the face of adversity.

The Tongue: Hylunmor's followers incite rebellion and dissent among mortals through charismatic speeches and impassioned pleas, rallying them to rise up against authority and challenge the status quo.

The Gift: Hylunmor can bestow individuals with the power to sow discord and chaos, empowering them to spread anarchy and rebellion.

The Reaping: Hylunmor can unleash waves of anarchy and upheaval upon the mortal realm, toppling governments, and overturning empires, as chaos and disorder reign supreme.

Hylunmor - Discord

Hylunmor's Conceit: Hylunmor's most paradigmatic self-deception is that discord and chaos are the true sources of power and freedom. He projects this discord onto the world around him, fracturing unity and harmony wherever he goes.

Psychic Projection: Hylunmor's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through division and conflict. He fosters discord and strife, driving wedges between individuals and tearing communities apart.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Hylunmor's Conceit due to their susceptibility to fear and distrust. They may be swayed by his manipulations, turning against one another in pursuit of their own selfish interests.

Hylunmor's Conceit revolves around the idea that discord and chaos are sources of power and freedom. Mortals influenced by Hylunmor's Conceit become agents of discord, fostering division and conflict wherever they go. They see unity and harmony as weaknesses to be exploited rather than virtues to be upheld. This mindset leads to paranoid tendencies as individuals view others with suspicion, constantly seeking to undermine and betray them to gain an advantage. Hylunmor's psychic projection amplifies these tendencies, sowing seeds of distrust and animosity among mortals. Followers of Hylunmor may exhibit manipulative behaviors, exploiting others' vulnerabilities and instigating conflicts to assert their dominance.

Nalvaroth

Titles: The Avaricious Lord, Master of Ambition, Abyssal Squire (of Mepisvon), Eye of Luthazel

Sphere of Influence: Greed, ambition, power.

Unique Offering: Nalvaroth can produce the essence of greed from a human jiva, which he can trade for wealth and influence.

Token: A golden coin with inscriptions of power and ambition.

Ambitions: Seeks to amass wealth and power, driven by greed and ambition.

Personality: Greedy, ambitious, willing to do whatever it takes to achieve his goals.

Representatives and Agents: Shrewd manipulators and ambitious schemers who serve his every whim.

Unique Powers: Can enhance ambition and drive in others, motivating them to pursue their desires relentlessly.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to contentment and detachment, struggles when faced with individuals who find happiness in simplicity and inner peace.

Nalvaroth is characterized by greed, ambition, and the relentless pursuit of power. He is driven by his insatiable desire for wealth and influence, willing to do whatever it takes to achieve his goals. His essence thrives on ambition, fueling his desire to amass ever greater riches and ascend to positions of authority.

Nalvaroth's ultimate ambition is to accumulate wealth and power, driven by his insatiable greed and ambition. He seeks to manipulate others to serve his own ends, using his influence to further his own agenda and secure his position of dominance.

Nalvaroth employs shrewd manipulators and ambitious schemers who serve his every whim. These agents are skilled in the art of persuasion and manipulation, using their influence to further Nalvaroth's goals and secure his position of power.

Nalvaroth is vulnerable to contentment and detachment, struggling when faced with individuals who find happiness in simplicity and inner peace. His relentless pursuit of wealth and power leaves him susceptible to individuals who resist his manipulations and uphold values that transcend material wealth.

The Tongue: Nalvaroth's manipulators stoke the fires of ambition and greed in mortals through promises of wealth and power, enticing them to pursue their desires relentlessly and without remorse.

The Gift: Nalvaroth can grant individuals the power to amass wealth and influence, enhancing their ability to manipulate and control others.

The Reaping: Nalvaroth can spread waves of greed and avarice across the mortal realm, causing societies to collapse under the weight of their own excess and decadence, as individuals betray each other in pursuit of their selfish desires.

Nalvaroth - Greed

Nalvaroth's Conceit: Nalvaroth's most paradigmatic self-deception is that greed and selfishness are the only true motivators in life, driving individuals to pursue their own interests at any cost. He projects this greed onto the world around him, fostering a culture of selfishness and exploitation.

Psychic Projection: Nalvaroth's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through temptation and avarice. He inflames the desires for wealth and power, driving individuals to hoard resources and exploit others for personal gain. Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Nalvaroth's Conceit due to their vulnerability to temptation and greed. They may become consumed by their desire for wealth and power, forsaking compassion and empathy in pursuit of their own selfish interests.

Nalvaroth's Conceit revolves around the belief that greed and selfishness are the only true motivators in life, leading individuals to prioritize their own desires and interests above all else. Mortals under Nalvaroth's influence become consumed by their desire for wealth and power, often at the expense of others. They may justify their actions by embracing a utilitarian ethic, viewing the world through a lens where the ends justify the means. Nalvaroth's psychic projection reinforces these beliefs, leading mortals down a path of greed and exploitation. This fosters a sociopathic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own ambition and desires over ethical considerations and the well-being of others. Mortals under Nalvaroth's sway may exhibit manipulation and ruthlessness, viewing moral principles as obstacles to be overcome in their quest for power and wealth.

Tolarveth

Titles: The Corruptor, Lord of Debauchery, Abyssal Squire (of Vaelornil)

Sphere of Influence: Corruption, debauchery, defilement.

Unique Offering: Tolarveth can produce the essence of corruption from a human jiva, which he can trade for debasement and degradation.

Token: A tarnished halo dripping with filth and sin.

Ambitions: Revels in corruption and debauchery, seeking to defile all that is pure and holy.

Personality: Depraved, corrupt, delights in vice and sin.

Representatives and Agents: Agents of debasement and degradation who spread filth and immorality.

Unique Powers: Can spread corruption and defilement, twisting the purity of lively, real Ahamkara into ignorance and false worship of that Ahamkara.

Weaknesses: Vulnerable to liveliness and righteousness in Ahamkara, struggles when faced with individuals who uphold moral values and principles.

Tolarveth embodies depravity, corruption, and the delight in vice and sin. He revels in spreading corruption and debauchery, seeking to defile all that is pure and holy. His essence thrives on darkness and immorality, fueling his desire to twist purity into darkness and vice.

Tolarveth's ultimate ambition is to spread corruption and defilement throughout all realms, turning purity into darkness and vice wherever he goes. He seeks to undermine morality and virtue, spreading filth and immorality in his wake.

Tolarveth employs agents of debasement and degradation who spread filth and immorality wherever they go. These agents revel in vice and sin, spreading corruption and defilement in their wake.

Tolarveth is vulnerable to purity and righteousness, struggling when faced with individuals who uphold moral values and principles. His delight in vice and sin leaves him susceptible to individuals who resist his temptations and uphold values that transcend darkness and immorality.

The Tongue: Tolarveth's whispers sow seeds of doubt and despair in the minds of mortals, eroding their confidence and resolve with insidious suggestions and manipulative half-truths.

The Gift: Tolarveth can grant individuals the power to induce feelings of doubt and uncertainty in others, weakening their resolve and undermining their confidence.

The Reaping: Tolarveth can spread waves of doubt and despair across the mortal realm, causing societies to crumble from within as individuals question their beliefs and values, leading to widespread disillusionment and despair.

Tolarveth - Corruption

Tolarveth's Conceit: Tolarveth's most paradigmatic self-deception is that corruption and depravity are the only true paths to power and enlightenment. He projects this corruption onto the world around him, corrupting the pure and innocent with his dark influence.

Psychic Projection: Tolarveth's Conceit is psychically projected onto those around him through manipulation and deceit. He preys on the vulnerable and naive, leading them down a path of corruption and depravity.

Mortal Susceptibility: Mortals are particularly susceptible to Tolarveth's Conceit due to their yearning for meaning and purpose. They may be seduced by his promises of power and enlightenment, unaware of the true cost of their jiva's corruption. Tolarveth's Conceit centers on the belief that corruption and depravity lead to power and enlightenment. Mortals under Tolarveth's influence become seduced by promises of power and significance, willing to sacrifice their morality and integrity in pursuit of these goals. They justify their actions by embracing moral relativism, viewing the world through a lens of moral ambiguity where the ends justify the means. Tolarveth's psychic projection reinforces these beliefs, leading mortals down a path of darkness and depravity. This fosters a sociopathic mindset, as individuals prioritize their own ambition and desires over ethical considerations and the well-being of others. Mortals under Tolarveth's sway may exhibit manipulation and ruthlessness, viewing moral principles as obstacles to be overcome in their quest for power and enlightenment.

The Infernal Machinations

The Court of Wires

Leader: Galdorinth, Abyssal Knight of Lust

Purpose:

The Wiry Court is the judicial and regulatory body of Barzakh, responsible for maintaining order, resolving disputes, and dispensing justice according to the laws and decrees of the demon lords. They preside over trials, hearings, and tribunals, adjudicating matters of law and ensuring that infernal contracts are upheld. They also oversee the enforcement of regulations and edicts, punishing those who violate the rules of the realm.

Uses to Other Organizations:

- Provides legal counsel and arbitration services to resolve conflicts and disputes between members of other
 organizations, ensuring stability and harmony within Barzakh.
- Administers punishments and sanctions to individuals or organizations found guilty of wrongdoing, enforcing compliance with the laws of the demon lords.
- Collaborates with the Library of Whispers to gather evidence and intelligence for use in legal proceedings, ensuring
 judgments that most serve Barzakh.

The Endless Swell

Leader: Brondarokora, Abyssal Knight of Tyranny

Purpose:

The Endless Swell serves as the military force of Barzakh, tasked with enforcing the will of the demon lords and maintaining order within the realm. Their primary duties include waging war against external threats, quelling rebellions, and ensuring the obedience of the denizens of Barzakh. They are also responsible for collecting jiva and tormenting them into becoming demonic, thus replenishing their ranks and strengthening their forces.

Uses to Other Organizations:

- Provides protection and security to other organizations, ensuring their operations run smoothly.
- Supplies jiva and demonic entities to organizations that require them for various purposes, such as experimentation or labor
- Executes the will of the demon lords, including enforcing infernal contracts and eliminating threats to their power.

Library of Whispers

Leader: Mepisyon, Abyssal Knight of Deception

Purpose:

The Library of Whispers are responsible for gathering and disseminating information throughout Barzakh. They maintain extensive networks of spies, informants, and intelligence-gathering operatives, collecting secrets and hidden knowledge that can be used to further the goals of the demon lords. They also specialize in propaganda and misinformation, manipulating perceptions and shaping public opinion to suit their masters' needs.

Uses to Other Organizations:

- Provides valuable intelligence to the Endless Swell, enabling them to identify and neutralize potential threats.
- Offers blackmail material and leverage to organizations in need of coercion or manipulation.
- Assists in the recruitment and indoctrination of new members for various organizations, using their skills in persuasion and manipulation.

The Cabal Treasury

Leader: Vaelornil, Abyssal Knight of Apathy

Purpose:

The Cabal Treasury is dedicated to acquiring and hoarding wealth, artifacts, and rare resources within Barzakh. They engage in trade, commerce, and exploitation, seeking to amass vast fortunes and consolidate economic power. They control various markets and enterprises, monopolizing valuable goods and services to maintain their influence and status. Uses to Other Organizations:

- Provides funding and resources to finance the operations of other organizations, facilitating their activities.
- Supplies luxury items and forbidden goods to satisfy the desires of demon lords and their followers.
- Engages in espionage and sabotage against rival factions, using economic leverage to weaken their competitors.

The Veiled Enclave

Leader: Hylunmor, Abyssal Knight of Chaos

Purpose:

The Veiled Enclave specializes in subterfuge, infiltration, and covert operations within Barzakh. They excel in espionage, sabotage, and assassination, using stealth and deception to achieve their objectives. They operate in the shadows, manipulating events and influencing outcomes to serve the interests of their masters.

Uses to Other Organizations:

- Provides security and protection to other organizations through their expertise in surveillance and counterintelligence.
- Conducts reconnaissance and gathers valuable intelligence on potential threats or targets.
- Eliminates rivals and enemies of other organizations through targeted strikes and assassinations, neutralizing threats to their power.

The Profane

Leader: Jalthasir, Abyssal Knight of Gluttony

Purpose:

The Profane guild specializes in the production and distribution of bardo, the precious substance that fuels the powers of the demon lords and their minions. They oversee the refinement and processing of jiva into kleshas, which are then used to create bardo through alchemical means. They control vast networks of jiva harvesters, extraction facilities, and laboratories dedicated to jiva manipulation.

Uses to Other Organizations:

- Supplies bardo to other organizations for various purposes, including empowering demonic entities and enhancing magical rituals.
- Conducts research and development on new applications and uses for bardo, expanding its potential utility within Barzakh.
- Collaborates with the Endless Swell to provide enchanted weaponry and armor imbued with the power of bardo, enhancing the combat effectiveness of their forces.

Question: The reconciliation between fixed afterlife topology and individual spiritual navigation – how exactly does one "map" to the other?

Answer: Fixed topology and individual navigation are essentially mapped by how Ahriman-identification, kundalini, apperception, metanoia (conscientious meaning-making), gnosis (connection to Purusha), pneuma (realization of Sefira), and aeonic gnosis (hypostatic awareness) are individually fulfilled and relate with one another.

Question: What is the mechanism by which earthly spiritual development translates to afterlife positioning, especially given the system's claim that religious beliefs themselves don't determine this?

Answer: Apporheta gives the eidenai for the translation between spiritual development and afterlife positioning, but it cannot inspire a person to change the basis of the aforementioned fulfillments and relationships if they're not motivated to do that anyway.

Question: What are the precise mechanics of how Ahriman's influence transitions from active in life to void in death, while still affecting the jiva's afterlife experience?

Answer: Ahriman is no longer an active force in the experiences of jiva, so the degree to which a jiva fulfills themselves in him while alive translates to the amount of individuation from reliance on his (now absent) character and influence one experiences in the afterlife.

Question: What is the exact nature of the interface between personal gnosis and the Sefiroth, especially given that the system acknowledges varying individual capacities for spiritual development?

Answer: A pneumatic state is one in which a person acts and responds by their own hand and in alignment with at least one Sefira, such that the spiritual fertility of personal gnosis becomes effectively synonymous with divine right rather than utterly base and unmediated by higher truth. This occurs reflexively with the current state of the aforementioned fulfillments and relations, which is entirely personal but not subjective.

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Answer: This an aspect of what makes them bound to lethe, even though they aren't completely Ginnungagap. Demons have social traditions for identifying themselves to each other specifically because they do not have any other reliable information through which they can do this. Even though these demons have memories of interactions and relative intelligence to understand their meaning, they will not remember which paradigms are whose or be able to integrate them into memory. They're limited by their own paradigms and the subliminal paradigms operating within them that derive from others, and negotiating the differences and content between these paradigms is not something they're equipped to handle. So, the effort of trying just leads to chaos in Barzakh. This is an aspect of why Vanir and Asgardians can and do more easily seize control of noble castes and the Wiry Throne, and meticulously regulate what other demons know of necessity and tradition.

Ymir jiva, in having pneuma without gnosis, can guess at the identities of other jiva and demons without having awareness of their jiva-truth, and these guesses only improve as they develop their Sefirotic connection more comprehensively.

Question: The relationship between kundalini development and pneumatic states - particularly, how does anemic kundalini interface with complete Sefirotic pneuma?

Answer: Anemic kundalini means that while your life and actions spiritually benefit others, they come from a place of inner detachment that uses vulnerability impartially to deeply empower the other rather than to live in Barakah with them. This is powerful when coupled with the Sefiroth because it embodies divine right used in tandem with an extreme willingness for self-sacrifice and mortification. It is, though, a (negotiable) double bind - one must be able and willing to invest deeply with someone else on the terms of their own jiva-truth, yet be guided in one's actions by the Sefiroth. It is a form of divine conceit which conscientiously damages one's trust in self and others because this can be used for discernment and providence beyond earthly means.

Question: What makes a person Atman?

Answer: Atman jiva generally exist as such because they followed the same process as Ymir jiva, either completing it in life and becoming Atman upon entry to Sheol, or completing it in the afterlife and becoming Atman then. However, it could also be because they are former Asgardian demons who chose to learn of the Sefiroth through guidance by Plutonian jiva instead of remaining in Barzakh. All of these paths require a fulfilled kundalini because they depend on complete sacrifice of conceit (though not self-interest and desire) – once a person dies and becomes an Ymir jiva or Asgardian demon, they are not able to escape from conceit while still wielding it in any meaningful way. Question: Given that –

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Question: Can Loki, Alfar, and Vanir demons come to Barakah and find Folkvangr?

Answer: Recall "recursive containment of Jiva-Truth." If the demon's nature included an Ymir jiva, meaning that in life, they developed a relationship with a Sefira through Barakah with another person, they would be able to use this connection to undertake the mission that all Ymir jiva can. This mission is benefited by their relationship with gnostic apperception, metanoia, and personal gnosis, but it is (at least momentarily) discontinued if they subordinate the motive of Barakah to their own will. Most individual demons of these types do not include such a jiva within themselves because, in life, they tend to conclude that reliance on their spiritual abilities to completely tell them what is real or what to do is more important than Barakah. That's why they're in Barzakh, in spite of their spiritual attainments. This is also true of Asgardian demons.

Question: How can one have gnostic apperception without metanoia or personal gnosis? Why is it possible for an Alfar demon to have metanoia, but not personal gnosis, or for Vanir demons to have gnosis, but not pneuma?

Answer: It all comes back to how vertical limits relate with Barakah. Most Loki demons do not exist in a state of Barakah to be able to surpass their current spiritual limits. Even if they can make sense of and integrate concepts into their beliefs, they are in a continuous state of subordinating motives of Barakah to their own will. This is nonviable for achieving metanoia because it leads to cyclic patterns of compartmentalization and rationalization. Alfar demons exist as such because instead of aligning their achievement of metanoia with Barakah, they use it to idealize gnostic apperception, leading to the same mindset as a Loki demon, but with greater imaginative power. Meanwhile, Vanir demons are withheld from a pneumatic state by their fear of the Sefiroth, which lends them to a condition of using personal gnosis to fetishize metanoia and idealize gnostic apperception, so even though they're in a state of relative enlightenment and are spiritually aware of others, they haven't actually transitioned to awareness of divine right.

In summary, as we move "higher" in the demonic hierarchy, the demon includes the flaws that stunt the lower demons, alongside the flaws of their own strata. They may have used Barakah for personal breakthrough, and this is good, but when they broke through they didn't realign their (now lower) self with Barakah again. Asgardian demons, in all of their glory, are much the same. As a matter of fact, this is necessarily true of each jiva, including Sefirotic jiva – the only difference being that Sefirotic jiva have the power and pure devotion to pursue Barakah autonomously, which is what they're experiencing when they exist in Nirvana, Folkvangr, or Erebus. As a reminder, you will have your "highest" spiritual attainments from life carry through to the next, but whatever potential you had that you didn't spiritually explore is gone. There are a few divine bendings of this cosmic law (Ymir jiva, Asgardian pneuma), but they're not exceptions so much as accommodating interpretations.

Index of Cosmological Terms

Aeon

Acons are emanations of divine fullness (Pleroma) in Gnostic cosmology, representing aspects of the eternal divine mind. They serve as intermediaries between the ineffable source and the material world, embodying divine qualities and cosmic functions.

Alfar

The Alfar, or elves, are beings of light and magic in Norse mythology, associated with beauty, fertility, and spiritual insight. They inhabit the liminal space between gods and humans, acting as mediators of divine energy and natural forces.

Ammit

Ammit, the "Devourer of the Dead," is an Egyptian deity who consumes the hearts of the wicked in the afterlife. This act ensures that only the righteous gain eternal life, while the unworthy face annihilation, symbolizing divine justice and moral order.

Anatta

Anatta, or "non-self," is a foundational Buddhist doctrine rejecting the existence of an unchanging, eternal self or soul. Instead, it asserts that all beings are composed of impermanent elements, constantly in flux, and interconnected with the fabric of existence. Anatta challenges individual identity as an illusion, emphasizing impermanence and interdependence to dissolve attachment and ignorance.

Ahamkara

Ahamkara, or "I-maker," is the ego principle in Indian philosophy, which constructs a sense of individuality and separateness. It is the root of attachment and self-identity, serving as a barrier to self-realization and union with the divine.

Ahriman

Ahriman, in Zoroastrianism, is the spirit of destruction and chaos, opposing the forces of good and light. He embodies deceit, corruption, and the darkness that threatens cosmic harmony, constantly battling the divine order.

Anamnesis

Anamnesis is a Greek term meaning "recollection" or "remembrance," with roots in Platonic philosophy and its exploration of the soul's knowledge. In the works of Plato, anamnesis describes the process by which the soul recalls truths it knew prior to its embodiment, suggesting that learning is not the acquisition of new information but the rediscovery of eternal truths inherent within the soul. This concept is particularly central to Plato's theory of Forms, as it asserts that the highest knowledge, such as the understanding of justice, beauty, and goodness, is accessed through introspection and the awakening of latent knowledge.

Apperception

Apperception refers to the conscious assimilation of new experiences into one's understanding of self and the world. It combines perception with reflection, shaping how individuals interpret and integrate reality.

Apporheta

Apporheta, from ancient Greek mystery traditions, refers to secret teachings or esoteric knowledge meant only for initiates. It embodies the hidden wisdom revealed through rites and deep spiritual inquiry, but was also used to signify public speech so vulgar it would be fined.

Arhat

An Arhat is a "worthy one" in Buddhism who has attained Nirvana through personal effort, breaking free from samsara (the cycle of rebirth). This state is marked by wisdom, serenity, and the complete cessation of suffering. Arhats represent the culmination of individual spiritual practice and mastery.

Asgard

Asgard is the home of the Aesir gods in Norse mythology, a celestial realm of power, wisdom, and divine governance. It serves as a model of order and strength, protecting the cosmos from chaos and destruction.

Atman

Atman refers to the eternal self or soul in Hindu philosophy, understood as the unchanging essence of an individual that transcends physical existence. It is the fragment of the universal Brahman present in all beings, symbolizing the unity of individual and cosmic consciousness.

Babylon

Babylon, in biblical and esoteric traditions, symbolizes material excess, spiritual corruption, and human decadence. Often portrayed as a "great harlot," it warns of the perils of attachment to worldly power and moral decay.

Barakah

Barakah refers to a divine blessing or spiritual power in Islamic tradition that brings forth beneficial abundance, prosperity, and growth.

In traditional Islamic thought, barakah is particularly associated with prophets, saints, and holy sites, where it accumulates and can be transmitted to others. It is often described as a continuous, self-perpetuating force that, once present, generates more of itself - like a spring that never runs dry. The concept emphasizes that true abundance comes from divine grace rather than mere material possession, and that this spiritual power can transform ordinary actions or objects into sources of ongoing benefit and spiritual nourishment.

Bardo

Bardo, in Tibetan Buddhism, is an intermediate state between death and rebirth, where consciousness transitions through various stages. It is a space of potential liberation or further entanglement in samsara, depending on one's clarity and spiritual practice at the moment of death.

Barzakh

Barzakh is the Islamic concept of an intermediate realm where souls reside between death and resurrection. It is a liminal space of separation and distinction, where the righteous and wicked coexist but experience vastly different realities of waiting and reflection.

Bhikkhu/Bhikkhuni

A Bhikkhu (monk) or Bhikkhuni (nun) is a renunciant in Theravada Buddhism who follows a strict monastic code to achieve enlightenment. These individuals dedicate themselves to meditation, study, and ethical discipline, embodying detachment from material and worldly concerns. They are spiritual seekers committed to the path of liberation.

Bodhisattva, Theravada/Mahayana

In Mahayana Buddhism, a Bodhisattva is an enlightened being who postpones Nirvana to aid others in their liberation. In contrast, Theravada Buddhism views Bodhisattvas as aspirants to Buddhahood, focusing more on personal enlightenment. Both traditions emphasize selflessness and compassion as their defining traits.

Eidenai

Eidenai, rooted in Greek philosophy, means "to know" or "to perceive." It denotes an intuitive or contemplative understanding of reality, often contrasted with mere sensory or intellectual knowledge.

Elioud

The term "Elioud" is rooted in ancient Jewish texts, particularly the Book of Enoch, where it refers to the offspring of the Watchers—angels who descended to Earth and intermingled with human women. These beings, often depicted as giants, are considered to be hybrids of divine and human nature, existing between the celestial and the earthly realms.

Erebus

Erebus is a primordial Greek deity embodying darkness and shadow, residing in the liminal spaces of the underworld. Erebus is not merely the absence of light but the womb of potential, where chaos coalesces into form, and souls traverse the unseen.

Folkvangr

In Norse mythology, Folkvangr is Freyja's meadow, where half of the honored dead gather after death. This realm is both a resting place and a domain of love, beauty, and martial valor, offering solace and renewal to those chosen to reside there.

Fylgja

A Fylgja is a Norse guardian spirit or soul aspect that accompanies and protects an individual. It often appears in dreams or visions, symbolizing one's fate or spiritual state, and may take on animal or human forms reflective of the person's character or destiny.

Galdr

Galdr refers to magical chants or incantations in Norse traditions, used to invoke spiritual power or influence events. These chants were believed to align with cosmic forces and were often paired with runic inscriptions to amplify their effects.

Ginnungagap

Ginnungagap is the primordial void in Norse mythology, the yawning chasm that existed before creation. It is the space of potential where fire and ice converged to birth the cosmos, symbolizing the fertile tension between chaos and order.

Gnosis

Gnosis, in Gnostic traditions, signifies direct, experiential knowledge of divine truth, transcending intellectual understanding. It involves an inner awakening that liberates the soul from ignorance and the constraints of the material world.

God is Dead

Originating from Nietzsche's philosophy, "God is Dead" declares the decline of absolute moral and spiritual authority in modern society. It reflects the existential crisis arising from the loss of traditional frameworks, emphasizing the human responsibility to create meaning in a seemingly indifferent universe.

Grigori

The Grigori, or "Watchers," are fallen angels in Judeo-Christian tradition who defied divine law. They introduced forbidden knowledge to humanity, embodying the tension between enlightenment and transgression.

Heidr

Heidr, in Norse mythology, is a volva associated with seidr magic and prophecy. She embodies arcane knowledge, liminality, and the power to traverse and manipulate spiritual realms. Her presence often signals transformation and hidden truths.

Ishtar: Ishtar, the Mesopotamian goddess of love, war, fertility, and justice, was a central figure in ancient Akkadian, Assyrian, and Babylonian mythology. As a complex deity, she embodied dualities: the nurturing aspects of love and fertility as well as the destructive forces of war and vengeance. Her myths often depict her descent into the underworld, symbolizing cycles of death, rebirth, and cosmic balance. Ishtar's prominence in the ancient world positions her as a figure of transformation and liminality, bridging the human and divine realms through her associations with life's most fundamental forces.

Jiva

Jiva, in Indian philosophy, is the individual soul or life force that animates living beings. Unlike Atman, Jiva is subject to samsara and influenced by karma, representing the embodied experience of consciousness within the material world.

Klesha

Kleshas are mental afflictions in Buddhism that obscure truth and bind beings to suffering. These include greed, hatred, delusion, pride, and envy. Overcoming kleshas is essential to liberation, as they represent the root causes of ignorance and unskillful behavior.

Kundalini

Kundalini is the latent spiritual energy coiled at the base of the spine in Hindu and yogic traditions. Awakening it involves activating energy centers (chakras), leading to spiritual enlightenment and union with the divine.

Lethe

Lethe, from Greek mythology, is the river of forgetfulness in the underworld. Souls drink from it to erase memories of past lives before reincarnation. It symbolizes the loss of identity and the cycles of rebirth in both a literal and metaphorical sense.

Loki

Loki, the Norse trickster god, is a complex figure of chaos, cunning, and transformation. He challenges divine authority and catalyzes change, often through deceit or disruption, embodying the unpredictable forces that shape existence.

Ma'at

Ma'at is the ancient Egyptian concept of cosmic order, truth, and balance. Represented as a goddess, Ma'at ensures harmony between creation, justice, and morality. Her principle underpins the universe and governs the judgment of souls in the afterlife.

Mara

Mara is the Buddhist personification of desire, death, and delusion, the forces that bind beings to samsara. As the tempter of the Buddha, Mara symbolizes the internal struggles that hinder spiritual progress.

Megin

Megin, in Norse belief, refers to personal or divine power and might, often associated with physical strength, spiritual force, or vitality. It signifies the inherent energy within beings, capable of influencing their surroundings and forging destiny.

Metanoia

Metanoia, from Greek, signifies a profound transformation of heart or mind, often involving repentance and a shift in perspective. It is a turning point that redirects one's life toward greater meaning or spiritual awakening.

Nirvana

Nirvana is the ultimate goal in Buddhism, a state of liberation from suffering and the cycle of rebirth. It is characterized by peace, non-attachment, and freedom from ignorance. Nirvana represents the extinguishing of the flames of desire and the realization of truth.

Odin

Odin is the Allfather in Norse mythology, a god of wisdom, war, poetry, and magic. He sacrifices for knowledge, exemplifying the relentless pursuit of truth and the balance between creation and destruction in the cosmic order.

Oni

Oni are mythical demons from Japanese folklore, often depicted as fearsome creatures with horns, sharp claws, and red or blue skin. They are commonly associated with punishment, chaos, and the forces of destruction, appearing as both antagonists and agents of karmic retribution.

Pistis

Pistis, in Gnostic and Christian traditions, represents faith, trust, or belief in divine truth. It is the foundational principle that bridges human consciousness with the spiritual realm, enabling alignment with higher reality through devotion and insight.

Pratyekabuddha

A Pratyekabuddha, or "solitary enlightened one," is an individual who attains enlightenment independently, without reliance on a teacher or external guidance. Arhats, who achieve enlightenment by following the teachings of a Buddha, or bodhisattvas, who dedicate their lives to the spiritual liberation of others, Pratyekabuddhas do not actively teach or establish a spiritual following.

Pluto

Pluto, the Roman god of the underworld, governs death, the afterlife, and hidden wealth. He is a ruler of transformation, presiding over the boundary between life and death. His domain symbolizes both decay and regeneration within cycles of existence.

Pneuma

In Gnostic cosmology, Pneuma is the divine spark or spirit within humans that connects them to the higher, transcendent realms. It contrasts with the material body and psyche, serving as the key to spiritual liberation.

Purusha

Purusha, in Indian philosophy, is the cosmic spirit or universal consciousness, distinct from Prakriti (material nature). It is the eternal, unchanging essence of reality and the ultimate observer of existence.

Rune

Runes are symbols from the Norse alphabet, imbued with magical and divinatory power. Each rune conveys specific meanings and energies, often used in rituals, carvings, or spells to connect with spiritual forces and guide fate.

Samael

Samael, often depicted as an angel of death or accuser in Jewish mysticism, is both a destroyer and purifier. He is a dual figure, embodying divine judgment and the necessary forces of decay and renewal.

Samyaksambuddha

A Samyaksambuddha is a fully awakened being who achieves enlightenment independently and shares the path with others. This rare figure, embodying ultimate wisdom and compassion, has the ability to articulate profound truths and lead others toward liberation without external guidance.

Sefira/Sefiroth

The Sefiroth, from Kabbalistic mysticism, are ten emanations of divine energy that structure the cosmos and human experience. These attributes—ranging from mercy to judgment—form the Tree of Life, a symbolic map of spiritual ascent and the interplay between divine will and human action.

Seidr

Seidr is a form of Norse magic associated with prophecy and shaping destiny. Practiced by Volvas and sometimes gods like Odin and Freyja, it involves trance states and ritual acts to manipulate the threads of fate and uncover hidden knowledge. Sheol

Sheol is the Hebrew term for the underworld or grave, a shadowy realm where souls reside after death. It is neither a place of reward nor punishment but a neutral space of waiting, characterized by silence and obscurity.

Sunyata

Sunyata, or "emptiness," is a Buddhist concept denoting the absence of intrinsic existence in all phenomena. It emphasizes interdependence and impermanence, dismantling attachment and self-centered views to reveal the ultimate nature of reality.

Urreligion

Urreligion refers to the concept of a "primordial" or "original" religion, thought to embody the earliest and most basic spiritual practices and beliefs of humanity. It is rooted in the idea that all religions may stem from a single, ancient religious framework or a shared spiritual consciousness. Scholars and anthropologists often explore this concept in relation to prehistoric societies, focusing on practices like animism, ancestor worship, and nature-based rituals. These are typically linked to the human need to explain natural phenomena, establish social cohesion, and grapple with existential questions.

Distinguishing Urreligion from later religions lies in its simplicity and universality. Unlike organized religions with structured doctrines, sacred texts, or institutional hierarchies, Urreligion is characterized by its direct connection to daily life, communal practices, and the environment. It was more practical than ideological, aimed at survival and harmony with nature, making it distinct from the complex theological systems that developed later.

Vak Tattva

Vak Tattva refers to the principle of speech and its creative power in Hindu and Tantric traditions. It embodies the sacred energy of sound as the source of creation, linking language, thought, and divine manifestation, and means to connect one's jiva and ahamkara together.

Valley of Death

The Valley of Death symbolizes the transitional space between life and death, often depicted as a shadowy or foreboding place in Abrahamic and poetic traditions. It represents fear, uncertainty, and the confrontation with mortality, yet also serves as a liminal stage leading to renewal or judgment, depending on one's spiritual path.

Venus

Venus, named after the Roman goddess of love and beauty, is not only a celestial body but also a symbol deeply entwined with mathematical and mystical patterns. Its apparent movement in the sky over eight years creates a pentagram-shaped cycle, linking it to the symbol of harmony, symmetry, and the interplay of the spiritual and material worlds. Similarly, the octogram, an eight-pointed star, has historical ties to balance, cosmic order, and regenerative cycles, resonating with Venus's associations with renewal and aesthetic perfection. These geometric and astronomical connections imbue Venus with layered meanings that correspond to its planetary identity, making it a potent symbol of interconnectedness in spiritual and metaphysical systems.

Vanir

The Vanir are a group of Norse gods associated with fertility, prosperity, and nature. They contrast with the Aesir, the warrior gods, and represent harmony, abundance, and the nurturing cycles of life.

Volva

A Volva is a Norse secress or shamanic practitioner skilled in prophecy and magic, often serving as an intermediary between humans and the divine. These women wield seidr, a form of Norse sorcery, to shape destiny and reveal hidden truths.

Wyrd

Wyrd is an Old English term often translated as "fate," though its meaning is more nuanced and dynamic than the fixed predestination implied by modern usage. Rooted in Anglo-Saxon and Norse thought, wyrd represents the unfolding of events as shaped by past actions, both individual and collective, within an interconnected web of cause and effect. It is closely tied to the concept of "weaving," with life's threads being spun, measured, and cut by forces beyond human control, often associated with the Norns in Norse mythology. Unlike rigid determinism, wyrd allows for human agency to influence the patterns of existence, though within the constraints of an overarching cosmic order.

Yaldabaoth

Yaldabaoth, in Gnostic cosmology, is the ignorant demiurge who creates the material world. He is a flawed, arrogant figure, representing the entrapment of spirit in matter and the need for spiritual awakening to transcend it.

Ymir

Ymir is the primordial giant in Norse cosmology, whose body forms the world after his death. He embodies the raw material of creation, sacrificed to establish cosmic order, and represents the paradox of destruction as a prelude to life.